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OFFICE OF FISK & HATCH,
BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES,
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The remarkable success which attended our adaptation of the loans of the CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY and the WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, and the popularity and credit which those Loans have maintained in the markets, both in this country and Europe, during our sole Fiscal agentship, have confirmed us in the following views heretofore entertained and expressed, viz.:

First—That the best description of our National Securities, by purchases for the Sinking Fund and for shipment to Europe, and the consequent return of invested Capital, together with the new accumulations of wealth among the people, demanded other forms of investment combining the necessary elements of safety and reasonable income.

Second—That this class of Capital, habituated to the sense of absolute security with which it had reposed in Government Bonds, would not, to any great extent, encounter the risks of speculation or speculation, but would only seek investment in substantial and mild securities.

Third—That the First Mortgage Bonds of wisely-located and honestly-managed Railroads would be promptly recognized and readily taken as the most suitable, safe, and advantageous form of investment, yielding a more liberal income than can hereafter be derived from Government Bonds, and available to take their place.

Fourth—That the careful judgment and thorough scrutiny with which we have sought to make selections of Loans, calculated to meet the wants and command the confidence of the large circle of intelligent and prudent Investors, Capitalists, Trustees, Institutions, &c., with which our business in Government Securities has placed us in communication, are justified and approved; and the fidelity and good faith with which we endeavor to study their interests are recognized and accepted.

Profoundly impressed from the beginning with the responsibility assumed in the recommendation of Loans, and with the sacredness of the trust we accept when we invite the public confidence to the results of our researches and to our professional judgment and integrity, it is with peculiar satisfaction that we see the Loans hitherto recommended and negotiated by us, and the Roads upon which they are secured, vindicating our judgment and more than realizing our largest expectations.

Assured that, in the selection and negotiation of superior Railroad Loans, we are meeting a great public want, and rendering a valuable service—both to the holders of Capital and to those great National works of internal improvement whose intrinsic merit and substantial character entitle them to the use of Capital and the confidence of investors—we now offer with special confidence and satisfaction the

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS
OF THE
CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, connecting the Atlantic coast and the magnificent harbors of the Chesapeake Bay with the Ohio River at a point of reliable navigation, and thus, with the entire railroad system and water transportation of the great West and Southwest, affords the additional East and West Trunk Line, so imperatively demanded for the accommodation of the immense and rapidly-growing transportation between the Atlantic seaboard and Europe on the one hand, and the great producing regions of the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys on the other.

The increasing demand for the manufactured products of the Eastern States and of Europe by the growing and prosperous population of the West, and the multiplying products of the West seeking consumption in the Atlantic States and Europe, are resulting in an interchanging traffic and transportation whose magnitude surprises us even now, and of the future dimensions of which we can scarcely form a conception.

The importance of this Road, therefore, as a new outlet from the West to the sea, magnifies it into one of National consequence, and insures to it an extensive through traffic from the day of its completion; while in the development of the extensive agricultural and mineral resources of Virginia and West Virginia, it possesses, along its own line, the elements of a large and profitable local business.

The wealth that lies buried under innumerable acres of our vast territory, or springs from their bosom, is comparatively inert and useless until the whistle of the locomotive awakens it from the repose or waste of centuries into activity and value.

Thus the Kanawha coal fields of West Virginia, though known to be very rich in abundance, quality and varieties, have heretofore been practically idle and unavailable from lack of railroad facilities.

Varieties there exist which are not found elsewhere in this country, except in comparatively insignificant quantities and remote from market.

Splint Coal, of rare quality and of peculiar value for the manufacture of Iron, is there found in great abundance, together with superior *Cannel Coal*, equal to the best Scotch or Welch, which, by the opening of this road, can be placed in our principal markets at less than half the cost at which it is now imported from abroad.

It is believed that the Cost of West Virginia alone would enrich any means of communication which should afford it access to market, even if much more difficult and costly than that which is now being provided.

One hundred miles east of this Coal region, are the celebrated iron ores of Virginia, and within one hundred miles west and northwest, on and near the line of the Road, those of West Virginia and Ohio. All of these need the Splint Coal of the Kanawha, which is the only known substitute for charcoal in the manufacture of the best class of pig iron. It is well known that the enormous consumption of charcoal for this purpose is exhausting the forests in the vicinity of active iron furnaces, and that an available substitute is of vital importance.

To bring together, by a hundred miles of rails each way, these deposits of superior quality and value, needing rich water for their development, to make available in the Western markets, for domestic and manufacturing uses, a compact supply of superior Coal, for which they are now dependent, in great measure, upon the uncertain navigation of the upper portion of the Ohio River; to open the agricultural, grazing and timber lands of both States to immigration and market; to connect the unequaled harbor facilities of the Chesapeake Bay with the Ohio River, by a line shorter and of easier grades than is afforded by any other route across the Alleghanies; and thus to become the great artery through which shall pass the new life of regenerate Virginia and a swelling stream of the interchanging products of the West and East—this mission which gives to the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD the surest guarantee of success and wealth, and renders it the most important and substantial railroad enterprise now in progress in this country.

The restoration of Virginia to the Union, the opening of her rich and vacant lands to immigration and free labor, and the application of Northern capital and enterprise to her works of internal improvement and to the development of her minerals, mark a new era in her history, and bring her into the family of progressive states.

The superiority of the Virginia route across the Alleghanies, and the promise of an immense and profitable trade awaiting the completion of the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD to the Ohio River, have drawn to it the attention and cooperation of prominent capitalists and railroad men of this City, of sound judgment and known integrity. Their connection with it, together with that of eminent citizens of Virginia and West Virginia, insures an energetic, honorable and successful management.

The Road is completed and in operation from Richmond to the celebrated White Sulphur Springs of West Virginia, 227 miles, and there remain but 200 miles (now partially constructed) to be completed to carry it to the proposed terminus on the Ohio River, at, or near, the mouth of the Big Sandy River, 120 miles above Cincinnati and 350 miles below Pittsburg.

At this point the boundaries of the three States of Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky touch each other; and it is unusually favorable for a centre of connecting and diverging railroads.

Lines are now projected or in progress through Ohio and Kentucky to this point, which will connect the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO with the entire Railroad systems of the West and Southwest, and with the Pacific Railroad.

Its valuable franchises and superior advantages will place the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY among the richest and most powerful and trustworthy corporations of the country; and with a present value in completed road and work done equal to the entire amount of the mortgage, we feel assured that the Loan will be welcomed by Capitalists and Investors with the same confidence with which it has inspired us.

The details of the Loan and the preparation of the Bonds have been matured under our own supervision, and arranged with special reference to the wants of all classes of Investors, combining the various features of convenience, safety and protection against loss or fraud.

They will be in denominations of

$1,000. $500. $100.

They will be issued as *Coupon Bonds, payable to Bearer*, and may be held in that form; or

The principal may be *registered* in the name of the owner on the books of the Company, with the coupons remaining payable to bearer attached; or

The coupons may be detached and canceled, the Bond made a *regular Registered Bond*, substantially like those of the United States, and the interest made payable only to the registered owner or his attorney.

When registered by the first of these methods the principal of the Bond will be transferable only on the books of the Company, by the registered owner, or his attorney, but the interest will be paid to the bearer of the coupons on presentation, as is usual in case of Coupon Bonds. The Bond may again be made payable to bearer by a registered owner, if desired, by an assignment to that effect on the books of the Company.

When registered by the second method, the Bond will become a *permanent Registered Bond*, transferable only from one registered owner to another, and the interest will be paid at the office or agency of the Company to the proper owner in person or by attorney.

The three classes will be known respectively as:

1st. "*Coupon Bonds payable to Bearer.*"

2d. "*Registered Bonds with Coupons attached.*"

3d. "*Registered Bonds with Coupons detached,*" and should be so designated by Correspondents in specifying the class of Bonds desired.

They have thirty years to run, from January 15, 1870, with interest at six per cent. per annum from November 1, 1869, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

The interest is payable in MAY and NOVEMBER, that it may take the place of that of the earlier issues of Five-twenties, and suit the convenience of our friends who already hold Central and Western Pacific Bonds, with interest payable in January and July, and who may desire, in making additional investments, to have their interest receivable at different seasons of the year.

The amount of the Loan is $15,000,000. It is secured by a mortgage upon the entire Line of Railroad from Richmond to the Ohio River, with the equipment and all other property and appurtenances connected therewith.

A Sinking Fund of $100,000 per annum is provided for the redemption of the Bonds, to take effect one year after the completion of the Road.

This mortgage constitutes the only lien upon any portion of the Road with the exception of $1,095,797 in miscellaneous outstanding Bonds upon portions of the old Virginia Central Railroad, which now forms a part of the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO; and a small indebtedness to the State, for the payment of which provision has already been made in Virginia State Bonds.

For the purpose of retiring the above outstanding Bonds of the Virginia Central Railroad Company, $5,000,000 of the new loan will be reserved and held in trust, so that the present mortgage of $15,000,000 will cover the entire debt of the Company.

Of the remaining $10,000,000, a sufficient amount will be sold to complete the road to the Ohio River, perfect and improve the portion now in operation, and thoroughly equip the whole for a large and active traffic.

The present price is 90 and accrued interest.

A Loan so amply secured, so carefully guarded, and so certain hereafter to command a prominent place among the favorite securities in the markets, both of this Country and Europe, will be at once appreciated and quickly absorbed.

Very respectfully,

FISK & HATCH,
Bankers.

P. S.—We have issued pamphlets, containing full particulars, statistical details, maps, &c., which, with copies of the mortgage, will be furnished upon application.

TELEGRAMS.

Recent Marine Disasters on the European Coasts.

Wreck of a Nova Scotia Ship and Eight Lives Lost.

PRESS PROSECUTIONS IN FRANCE.

Pere Hyacinthe and His Carmelite Vows.

A Carlist Excitement in the Spanish Cortes.

EUROPE.

Shipwreck and Loss of Life on the English Coast—Burning of a New-York Bound Vessel—Political Mattors in Great Britain.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—The Nova Scotia ship Rice was lost off the coast of Lincolnshire. She was bound to Boston with a cargo of coal. Eight lives were lost. The bark *Undine*, from New-York, caught fire and was destroyed at Rotterdam. The *Tusorin* is reported ashore off Greenock. She will be a total loss. The *Newfoundland* has arrived at Lisbon with hull and rigging damaged....The House of Commons held a brief session to-day. The proceedings were unimportant. The *Telegraph*, (Liberal,) in reviewing the debates in the House of Commons last evening on the occasion of the introduction of the Irish Land Reform bill, expresses great satisfaction with the proceedings. The writer thinks the real union of Great Britain and Ireland may be dated from last night. The new bill is so perfect that it is invulnerable in all points....The *Standard*, (Conservative organ,) in leading of to-day, urges an inquiry into the alleged cruelties to the Fenian prisoners....The weather for the past week has been unusually cold, not only in England but throughout Europe.... The new telegraphic system is hardly in complete working order yet. Complaints of delay are still numerous. The usual channels for messages have been temporarily closed in some instances, and in this city a great number of the dispatches must first be forced through a pneumatic tube half a mile to the Post Office before they can get on the wires. The service, however, is gradually improving.

The Press Law and the Journalists in France—Russia and Switzerland—Pere Hyacinthe—The Duke of Montpensier's Visit to Madrid.

PARIS, Feb. 16.—Seven of the journals of this city have been officially warned this week.... Last evening great crowds of people assembled at a meeting in the Rue St. Martin, Belleville. It was suppressed by the Police without disorder. Still another prosecution has been commenced against the *Marseillaise* for violation of the Press law....The Continental banks are generally reducing their rate of interest....All the great Powers of Europe sustain the Russian Government in its demand upon Switzerland for the surrender of the felon RECHERZEFF....Father HYACINTHE has remained silent since his return to France. It is asserted, on reliable authority, that he will be relieved by the Pope from the obligation of his vows as a Carmelite monk, and will be permitted to continue in holy orders as an ordinary priest.

ROME, Feb. 16.—Another session of the Ecumenical Council was held yesterday. Six of the fathers took part in the discussion. It was announced to the Council that the Bishops of Antwerp, Mechlin and Salerno, had received titles of Primate. Eight Bishops have received permission to return to their dioceses.

MADRID, Feb. 16.—General PRIM yesterday officially assured the Cortes that the recent visit of the Duke of MONTPENSIER was not on political matters....The Carlist Deputies created wild excitement in the Cortes yesterday by charging that in the recent elections their candidates in many districts were defeated through Government interference. The accusation was denounced as false, and a stormy scene followed. After a violent debate the sitting was adjourned.

MEXICO.

Progress of the Revolutionary Movements—Porfirio Diaz Opposed to the Insurgents—A General Convicted of Treason.

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 16.—General ESCOBEDO, largely reinforced, faces the insurgents of San Luis Potosi. In a telegram to President JUAREZ he declares the situation reassuring; but he has as yet made no attack. The merchants are fleeing from San Luis to escape continued exactions and robberies. General NERI, in command of the Government troops, has occupied Zacatecas. The revolution in Puebla continues. Yucatan and Coahuila protest against revolution. It is reported that French emissaries have secretly fomented the insurrections in San Luis and elsewhere. PORFIRIO DIAZ announces that he will take no part in any movement against the Government, and refuses to allow any of the disloyal parties to use his name. Ex-General GUTIERREZ has been found guilty of treason and will probably be shot. The southern portion of Jalisco has pronounced against JUAREZ and is in arms. Many *pronunciamentos* have been made in Michoacan, under the leaders of different parties. The general condition of the country is deplorable. The steamship *Imperatriz* has arrived at Vera Cruz.

VENEZUELA.

Gloomy Prospects of the Government—Rebel Successes—Capture of Several Towns by the Rebels—Defeat of the Government Troops—Guerrillas at Work.

PORTO CABELLO, Jan. 24.—The condition of political matters here is worse than at last accounts. The prospects of the Government are dismal, and its troops are beaten by the rebels in almost every encounter. The cause of the rebels is daily gaining new adherents. Several engagements have lately taken place in the State of Carabobo, between the Government troops and the rebels, in each of which, the latest being on the 12th inst., the former were signally defeated, loosing largely in killed, wounded and prisoners. General SALAZAR, the rebel commander, encouraged by his successes, made an attack on Valencia, the capital of Carabobo, which is strongly held by the Government troops, but was repulsed with slight loss. He then marched upon Barquisimeto and San Felipe, both important places, the former being the capital of the province of the same name, capturing them with little difficulty. Burras and Monte Blax, towns in the vicinity of Porto Cabello, have been abandoned by the Government, and orders have also been issued for the evacuation of San Carlos and the places adjacent, the object being to concentrate their forces around Valencia. Small bands of rebel guerrillas infest the country, putting a stop to all transportation of merchandise and produce to the markets. They are so daring that they are frequently seen at Bagbarata and other places in the immediate vicinity of Porto Cabello. Business is utterly at a stand still, and the coffee crop is very backward.

CUBA.

Departure of Mr. Seward for the United States—The Surviving Victims of the Recent Outrage.

HAVANA, Feb. 16.—Mr. SEWARD and party have sailed for Baltimore....HUGH JOHNSTON, who was attacked, in company with GEORGE WALDEN, is out of danger, and has so far recovered from his wounds as to be able to walk. His friend FOSTER, who was so badly injured that his life was given up, is improving, and his physicians think he will be saved....The steamship Eagle, from New-York, arrived at 11 A. M.

GEORGIA.

The Senatorial Election—Governor Bullock's Message on the Validity of the Local Laws of Past Legislatures—A Letter from Senator Blodgett.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 16.—The House and Senate met this morning at 11 o'clock. At 12 o'clock the Senate proceeded to the hall of the House of Representatives and organized a joint convention for the purpose of comparing the Senatorial vote. Upon adding up the vote of the joint convention, the President of the Senate announced that Hon. POSTER BLODGETT, having received 115 votes, a majority, is declared elected United States Senator for the term of six years from March 4, 1871; Hon. H. P. FARROW having received 109 votes, a majority, is declared elected United States Senator for the term ending March 4, 1873; Hon. RICHARD H. WHITELY, having received 110 votes, is declared elected United States Senator for the term ending March 4, 1871. ....Governor BULLOCK sent a message to the Legislature this morning making an elaborate argument establishing the fact that the act of Congress of Dec. 22, and the previous Reconstruction acts do not render invalid any of the ordinary laws passed by the several Legislatures. All contracts entered into by the State or by corporations under the State authority are legal and binding. The Governor closes as follows: "The impression which is sought to be created that local laws are invalidated, State bonds repudiated, and corporations organized upon the basis of late legislation without legal foundation, is entirely groundless. Such impression is only created for the purpose of misleading the public mind, and defeating the full effect and true intent of the purpose of the Reconstruction acts." This argument seems to be superfluous in the face of the fact that Georgia bonds are salable at a higher rate than those of any other Southern State, and the bonds of the railroads which have been indorsed under the authority of the legislation of 1869 are selling at their full value. The Legislature adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Hon. POSTER BLODGETT, this evening, addressed a letter to the Governor, requesting him to withhold the certificate of his election as Senator. Mr. BLODGETT explains his previous political course; referring to that of having been indicted by his political opponents for the purpose of breaking down and destroying his influence, Mr. BLODGETT closes his letter as follows: "Although those who procured the indictments alluded to now confess that it was done for political effect, and it rests unsupported by any proof, yet it is there; and never until it is withdrawn, or I have been triumphantly acquitted, can I, or will I, accept the position to which the honorable suffrages of my political friends have elevated me."

OTHER STATE LEGISLATURES.

An Insane Asylum in Maine—New-Jersey Makes a Stand Against Camden and Amboy—The Virginia Senatorship for 1870—Louisiana.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 16.—In the lower branch of the Legislature, to-day, a resolution was passed appropriating $20,000 to an Insane Asylum.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 16.—In the Senate to-day the Newark Police bill came up on its final passage. Mr. J. N. TAYLOR opposed the bill. Mr. LITTLE spoke in favor of it. The bill was passed by a vote of 13 to 8. The Committee on Railroads reported against the Air Line Railroad bill this morning, and at the afternoon session of the House the report was adopted by a vote of 27 to 23. In the evening a motion was made to reconsider the vote by which the bill was lost. Debate ensued, but the House adjourned before a vote was taken. The question will come up again to-morrow morning, and every effort will be made to have the vote reconsidered. The bill is now recognized as an organized opposition to the Camden and Amboy Railroad.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 16.—A resolution was introduced in the House to-day asking the Government to accord belligerent rights to Cuba. The resolution was referred. A bill was reported declaring vacant the place on the bench of the Court of Appeals now held by Major BURNHAM, United States Army. The Senate adopted a resolution that it is not necessary to elect a United States Senator for the term ending March, 1870.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 16.—The Senate to-day passed the Three Million Dollars Levee Bond bill. It now goes to the Governor....The House passed the Mixed School Educational bill, and resumed consideration of the Election bill.

THE UNION LEAGUE.

Proposed Reorganization—Resolutions Adopted—The Ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment to be Celebrated.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The National Executive Committee of the Union League of America met in this city, at noon to-day, at Willard's Hotel, Governor JOHN W. GEARY, of Pennsylvania, in the chair. A report was read by THOMAS G. BAKER, the National Secretary. A committee made a report favoring a radical change in the ritual of the order—in fact wiping out the whole Union League as it now exists, and building up of a new fraternity. Hon. WILLIAM A. NEWELL, of New-Jersey, was elected Chairman for the year. The Committee adjourned. The National Council, (the parent body,) met at 8 o'clock, Governor GEARY, in the chair. The Business Committee reported a series of resolutions congratulating the country on the success of the Fifteenth Amendment, insisting on a practical exercise of equal rights, and one expressing sympathy with Cuba, and asking Congress to recognize her. The Councils throughout the country were instructed to appropriately celebrate the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment. The National Council then adjourned until December.

THE WEST.

Education of Southern Freedmen—A Family in Chicago Poisoned—An Absconding Brewer.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 16.—The Western Freedmen's Aid Commissioners held their annual meeting to-day. Reports from various offices indicate that the educational work among the freedmen is progressing encouragingly. Over 200 colored teachers have been furnished the common schools of the South. The Commission had real estate worth more than $200,000. They complain that while the demands on them have increased, their receipts are falling off.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 16.—A family of Hollanders, named BAKKERIA, residing at No. 44 Lake-street, consisting of a husband, wife and two children, were last night poisoned in some mysterious manner. It is supposed the poison was contained in some mush, which was found standing on the stove. When discovered the wife and one child were dead, and it is probable that the other child will die. The man will recover. The case will be investigated to-night.... It is now quite certain that ADAM BARBELE, the well-known brewer, whose mysterious disappearance has been the subject of newspaper paragraphs for the last three or four days, has absconded. He ostensibly started for Calumet to pay off the hands employed in his brewery there, but did not stop. It is ascertained that he was labouring under financial embarrassments, and it is thought that he absconded to escape their responsibility. His liabilities amount to about $70,000, and are held by various bankers, brokers, &c. His assets are said to foot up about $100,000. His wife took her three children and left yesterday, but it is not known where she went. BARBELE had at least $15,000 with him when he left.

THE EAST.

The Loss and Insurance in the Huntington, Mass., Fire—Highwaymen Sentenced in Boston.

SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 16.—The total of the losses by the fire at Huntington, on Monday, which destroyed the Hampshire Woolen Mills and the Huntington Manufacturing Factory, was $225,000. Among the losses are the following: Firemen's Insurance Company, of New-York, $2,500; Corn Exchange, $2,000; Buffalo Insurance Company, of Buffalo, $2,500; North America, of Philadelphia, $2,700; Girard Fire and Marine, of Philadelphia, $2,500; Franklin, of Philadelphia, $2,000; Independent, of Boston, $2,700; State, of Cleveland, Ohio, $1,250; Firemen's, of San Francisco, $2,000; Manhattan, of New-York, $2,700; Tremont, of Boston, $2,000; People's, of Worcester, $2,500; First National, of Worcester, $2,234; Roger Williams, of Providence, $2,234; Narragansett, of Providence, $2,234; Market, of New-York, $2,500; Germania, of New-York, $2,500; Fire and Marine, of Buffalo, $2,500; Merchants', of Providence, $1,700; Fire and Marine, of this city, $2,000; Cleveland, of Cleveland, Ohio, $2,000. A. C. DAY's pop factory, at North Chester, has been burned. The loss is $2,500.

BOSTON, Feb. 16.—ANDREW BLAIR and PATRICK GUERRIN, convicted of robbing a citizen in the streets, were to-day sentenced by Judge PUTNAM, of the Superior Court, to ten years imprisonment in the State Prison.

Movement Towards a Third Political Party in Massachusetts.

BOSTON, Feb. 16.—The friends of prohibition met in Tremont Temple to-day, to adopt measures looking to an organization in favor of prohibition. Hon. WHITING GRISWOLD was elected President. Resolutions in favor of the present Prohibitory law, and looking to the formation of a third political party, based upon the principle of prohibition, were adopted. The Convention was not large in point of numbers.

The Taxing of Bonds—A Test Case in Hartford.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 16.—The case of the State Treasurer against the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of this city, which is to be heard before the Supreme Court of Errors next week, is the most important, pecuniarily, of any ever tried in Connecticut. It relates to the taxability of Government bonds in the hands of mutual insurance companies, and involves directly $400,000, and indirectly very much more. The main question raised under the section of the Tax law on which the suit is brought, is whether the tax is a tax upon the franchise or upon the property, and there is an incidental point whether ascertained losses and dividends declared, but not paid, constitute a part of the proceeds of insurance.

WASHINGTON.

The Georgia Case—Probable Action of the Senate Judiciary Committee—Important Testimony Regarding the Sale of Cadetships—The Cuban Question—Reaction on the Tariff Question—General Sherman on Navy Rank Question.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The Judiciary Committee of the Senate again considered the case of Georgia at their meeting to-day, but took no action. They have before them the resolution offered by Senator FERRY, and passed by the Senate last week, directing them to inquire, first, whether the present organization of the Georgia Legislature has been accomplished in accordance with the laws of Congress, and, secondly, whether any further legislation by Congress is necessary to secure the proper organization of that body. The report of the Committee on these two propositions can be easily foreshadowed. They will, without doubt, report on the first inquiry that the action which resulted in the organization of the Legislature, as at present constituted, was not fully justified under the law of the 22d of December last, and was therefore irregular. In answer to the second inquiry they will probably report that the speedy restoration of the State to the Union, the desire of all parties to end the strife that has existed, and the fact that the members of the Legislature who were unseated deserved such treatment, though the means were irregular, require that the results should be acquiesced in as the best thing for all concerned. Should such a report be adopted by the Senate, the credentials of Messrs. HILL and MILLER, the Senators elected by the old Legislature will next come up for consideration. This will bring up the question of the validity of that body. In the meantime the House Reconstruction Committee is considering a bill for the readmission of Georgia to representation, and will undoubtedly impose conditions similar to those imposed upon Virginia, perhaps even more stringent than those. This will place the two Houses on radically different ground on the same question of representation. The matter promises to result in a formidable complication, and will undoubtedly provoke one of the angriest, noisiest and most tedious reconstruction contests yet seen in Congress.

THE SALE OF CADETSHIPS.

The cadet investigation developed some further interesting facts to-day, positively involving another member of the Fortieth Congress. Three witnesses from Meadville and Titusville, Penn., were examined, viz., CARLISLE WHITE, editor of the Meadville Republican; W. W. BLOSS, of the Titusville *Herald*, and D. V. DERRICKSON, of Meadville. The substance of their testimony was that M. S. NEWTON PETTIS, who was elected member of the Fortieth Congress to fill the vacancy occasioned by Hon. D. N. FERRY, sold the appointment of military cadet for the sum of $800. The circumstances were these: At the time Mr. PETTIS was nominated, Mr. BLOSS was authorized by Mr. BISHOP, of Titusville, to offer Mr. PETTIS $800 for the cadetship. After the election Mr. PETTIS is alleged to have expressed his willingness to accept the terms, but stated that he must first see another party to whom he had promised the nomination, and try and induce him to accept something else. At a subsequent period Mr. DERRICKSON came from Meadville and informed Mr. BLOSS and Mr. BISHOP that he was authorized to close the arrangement in behalf of Mr. PETTIS, but he must have $600 for the appointment. Mr. DERRICKSON says that Mr. PETTIS owed him $200 borrowed money, for which he held Mr. PETTIS' note. The sum of $600 was thereupon paid. Mr. DERRICKSON exhibited the note in question to the Committee, which was indorsed to the effect that it was to be canceled on the payment of the above sum by Mr. BISHOP. A Mr. BUNACK, of Philadelphia, was also before the Committee. He testified that he paid a Mr. FITZGERALD, of Philadelphia, the sum of $1,600 for the appointment of his son as a military cadet. It has not yet transpired what Congressman made the appointment, nor who beside Mr. FITZGERALD got the money. This transaction is said to have occurred several years ago, and it is stated that the young man appointed has since graduated and is now an officer of the army. FITZGERALD has been summoned.

CUBA IN CONGRESS.

The Cuban question begins to assume formidable proportions in Congress. General BANKS this morning offered in the House a joint resolution, authorizing the President to declare and maintain a strict neutrality in the contest now going on between Spain and Cuba. The resolution also proposes the repeal of all parts of the act of 1818, which may be in conflict with the spirit and purpose of the joint resolution. It was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, who will undoubtedly report favorably upon it at an early day. This will bring the case up in its broadest aspect, and will involve not only the question of belligerent rights, but the serious matter of a very important change in the Neutrality laws.

REACTION ON THE TARIFF BILL.

The reaction on the Tariff bill is setting in so strong that some almost startling results are being daily developed. It seems now reasonably certain that the bill reported from the Ways and Means Committee will never be considered in detail by the House. There will be an able, bitter and stormy discussion on the bill generally, and an effort will be made, perhaps, to lay it on the table. Some of the strongest Protectionists are quoted to-night as asserting that the bill is lost, and are said to be making an effort to secure the passage of the free list alone. But a large number of Republicans are averse to allowing the subject to pass without action of any kind. They are unwilling to go to the country with the responsibility of a failure to act upon this question, and it is therefore exceedingly probable that an effort will be made to submit a substitute for the Committee's bill which shall be more acceptable to the majority of the House.

NAVY RANK.

General SHERMAN has addressed a letter to Admiral PORTER, which has been laid before the House Naval Committee, on the subject of the rank question in the navy. The document is very long, and without giving any positive opinion on the subject, inclines rather to the line side of the question. General SHERMAN says he has had a good deal of experience as a sailor, having made many voyages in all sorts of vessels, and says that he should always prefer to sail in a vessel where some one is Captain. The question of rank both in the army and navy is not so much a matter of honor as it is of fixing responsibility. The letter has been read by the Committee, but the opinion appears to be quite as decided as ever on the whole question.

SPECIE PAYMENTS.

Another feature, which accompanies this reaction on the tariff and is daily growing stronger, is the sentiment among Western members in favor of a speedy return to specie payments. They don't much care whether it is done by contraction or by some other means. They are becoming convinced that the cry for more currency is a mistake; and that, as the present agricultural products have declined virtually to a gold basis, there is no reason why other articles of consumption and labor shall not do the same. This feeling crops out on all sides, and there has never been a time since the organization of the Republican Party when the discipline of either party was apparently at a lower ebb than now.

THE VAN WYCK-GREENE CASE.

The House was almost wholly occupied today with the continuation and close of the contested election case of VAN WYCK vs. GREENE. The closing hours of the debate excited unusual interest for an election case. General FAIRS, Chairman of the Election Committee, took strong ground against the Republican contestant, and at one time his success seemed very doubtful. But General SCHENCK happened to get the floor for ten minutes, and turned the tide of affairs by dwelling with great force upon the infamous naturalization frauds of the City of New-York. These frauds, he said, permeated the Hudson River Counties largely, and entered to a great degree into the contest in this district. This onslaught of General SCHENCK woke up the Democrats very effectually, and drew the party lines in the House so closely that Mr. VAN WYCK was seated and Mr. GREENE unseated by a decisive majority.

THE SAN DOMINGO TREATY.

Your contemporary, the *Tribune*, of this morning, prints a statement purporting to emanate from this city, but more likely from Haytian agents in New-York, which endeavors to show that the so-called "Hartmont loan contract" entered into last Summer by the Dominican Government, will entail upon this Government a loss of $420,000, and interest thereon for twenty-five years. This is a reckless misrepresentation. To sustain it the language of the seventh article of the contract is ingeniously presented. That article expressly required that the money should be delivered before the 31st day of December, 1869. Only $50,000 of the sum was ever delivered at any time, and the treaty negotiated by General BABCOCK expressly provides for the repayment of that indebtedness out of the purchase money of a million and a half. The "Hartmont contract" is therefore null and void, even if the money should be tendered. At this day BABE could not receive it without violating the treaty with this Government. The truth is, the terms of the "Hartmont loan" were a swindle and an imposition upon the necessity of that weak Government, and it is not to be wondered that there is a howl of disappointment among its promoters at the fact that their scheme is foiled by the new treaty. All the facts about the "Hartmont loan" and its conditions were given in the TIMES more than a month ago.

THE INDIAN COMMITTEE.

The Senate Indian Committee at their meeting this morning considered the bill for the sale of the Great and Little Osage Indian Reservations, and agreed on a report which was subsequently made with some amendments, the principal of which was to increase the amount to be paid to the Indians twenty-five per cent., and to pay them for some cattle an amount not exceeding $40,000. The Osage treaty has been withdrawn from the Committee and the Senate by the President.

PROPOSED INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

The bills before the Senate and House calling for the appropriations of money for internal improvements are more numerous and ask for larger sums than have been offered in some years. The amount asked for by the State of New-York alone amounts to millions of dollars; and the Western country clamors for large appropriations. The Southern States, too, put in large demands. But New-England appears to be unusually modest; the bills from that section are very few, and the amount generally small.

MISSISSIPPI.

Mississippi is apparently as far from admission so far as the Senate is concerned as she was months ago. The debate there to-day on fundamental conditions, the whole reconstruction policy, the late war, secession, Calhounism, State rights and the doctrines of Seventy-six is the general subject of considerable force in legislative circles to-night.

JUDGE BUSTEED'S CASE.

The case of Judge BUSTEED, of Alabama, whose impeachment has been under consideration by the House Judiciary Committee for a year and a half, has been brought to a conclusion, so far as the Committee are concerned. They this morning voted that the charges were not sustained by the evidence. On most of the specifications the vote was unanimous, and there were only two or three votes in the affirmative on any of them.

THE MONARCH.

Captain COMMERELL, of the English iron-clad Monarch, writes to Mr. THORNTON, the British Minister, that his ship will be off the Capes of the Chesapeake on Thursday or Friday morning. As soon as the ship has arrived at Annapolis, Secretary ROBESON will proceed to that port and formally receive the officers of the Monarch and invite them to this city. An official visit by the President and some members of the Cabinet will very probably occur some time next week.

ANOTHER MURDER.

A Woman Instantly Killed by Her Husband.

Full Details of the Affair—Arrest of the Murderer.

The City was again the scene of a murder last evening. On this occasion the victim was a woman, the assassin her husband, the cause jealousy. The history of the murder is necessarily incomplete, owing to the fact that one MICHAEL POWERS, the only witness of the crime, who is a totally irresponsible person, was allowed by Captain CAFFERY to leave the Twentieth Precinct Station House after the affair, and as he could not subsequently be found, only the version of the murderer could be obtained. His story is as follows:

Sixteen years ago, he, (THOMAS SHERIDAN,) a native of Ireland, now 35 years of age, married a girl of fifteen, of New-York parentage, whose given name was MARGARET. She was of good family, and when her parents died, some years ago, she was left a farm near Yonkers, valued at $25,000, but secured for the use of her children. Up to the breaking out of the war SHERIDAN and his wife lived happily together. In 1861 he enlisted in the Seventy-ninth New-York, went to the war, and remained constantly with his regiment until 1864, when he returned. Finding his wife, as he avers, living in open and promiscuous infidelity to him, he resulted and remained in the field until the last gun was fired. When he returned, in 1865, a peace was also consummated between himself and wife, and they lived together during that Summer. Then they quarreled afresh and he abandoned her. As he charges she has meantime had criminal intercourse with men, and has been the mother of several illegitimate children. He has been a wanderer most of the time in the West, working as a day laborer. Some three weeks ago he returned to the City, and found his wife living with MICHAEL POWERS, at No. 317 West Forty-first-street, and with her the four children whom she had had by him. He took up his residence with his sister, at No. 404 First-avenue, but went to see his wife on several occasions, and each time quarreled with her.

Last evening about 7 o'clock he went to the saloon of JAMES HEALEY, corner of Twenty-sixth-street and Ninth-avenue, where he got his supper, and at some place after that hour obtained a Smith & Wesson pistol, which he says he borrowed because he was afraid MARGARET or her man MICHAEL would attack him. It is evidently, however, an entirely new weapon. He went again to the house of his wife at about 8:30 o'clock, armed with this weapon. The house is a three-story frame tenement. The woman occupied a front room on the third floor, with a box at the rear called a bedroom. As he entered she was sitting on a chair near the stove, and the man POWERS was in the room. SHERIDAN's story is that the moment he entered his wife began to upbraid him, asking him what he was doing on the west side when he should be at home; and that she stooped over, picked up something, and made an attempt to strike him. He makes no pretence that POWERS made any sign of violence, but admits that instantly upon this alleged attempt of MARGARET to strike him, he drew the revolver and fired two shots. The first took effect under the chin, ranged upward, and passed out behind the right ear, and must have been fired with the muzzle almost touching the head, as the skin is blackened with the powder. The woman sprang backwards across the room, and as she did so, SHERIDAN fired again, the ball passing in at the right ear, and probably lodging in the brain, as she instantly fell to the ground a corpse. All this had occupied but an instant, and in the next Powers sprang before SHERIDAN and held him fast until the cries of the other occupants of the house, who had been alarmed by the shots, brought Officer HALEDAY, of the Twentieth Precinct, to whom the assassin was delivered, and by whom he was taken, together with POWERS, to the Station House in Thirty-fifth-street. POWERS made a brief statement of the affair, which was entered on the blotter, and was then, by the extraordinary stupidity of the officers, allowed to leave. His whereabouts during the rest of the evening are not known, as up to midnight he had not returned to the scene of the murder.

SHERIDAN, when questioned, freely admitted the killing of his wife, and regretted that he had not slain POWERS also. He did not appear to be in the least under the influence of liquor; talked unreservedly and intelligently of the affair, and of all his relations with the dead wife, whom he was careful to accuse of all the crimes that arouse, and are often held to excuse a husband's anger. He seems to be a man of more than ordinary intelligence, and, while seeming to fully comprehend his position, expresses no concern whatever as to the future. There was no whining, no bravado in him. He was collected, rational, apparently without regret for the murder which he had committed, but which he was cunning enough to attempt to palliate by the pretence that he feared an attack—the value of which excuse can be determined from the facts narrated, which have been told precisely as he gave them. Among other statements that he made during the evening was that by

EUROPEAN NEWS BY MAIL.

ARRIVAL OF THE HAMMONIA, CITY OF BALTIMORE AND CHINA.

The steamships *Hammonia*, from Hamburg Feb. 2, and Havre Feb. 5, *City of Baltimore*, from Liverpool Feb. 2, and Queenstown Feb. 4, and *China*, from Liverpool Feb. 5, and Queenstown Feb. 6, reached this port yesterday. The latest news thus received is fresher by five days than that by the *Russia*, and Captain MEIER, of the *Hammonia*, has our thanks for much intelligence contained in recent continental papers.

At the Anglo-American Telegraph meeting, Feb. 2, the result of the poll was strongly in favor of the agreement with the French and Atlantic Telegraph Companies, 4,602 votes being recorded against the amendment, and but 638 in its favor.

The Khedive has opened the Egyptian Parliament with a short discourse, in which he is said to have avoided touching upon foreign politics, but recommended internal improvements. A correspondent of the *Times* at Cairo telegraphs that in virtue of new arrangements only 15,000 troops will be maintained in Egypt for the future.

A man who styles himself LOUIS NAPOLEON BONAPARTE, and who pretends to be the offspring of a pretended son of NAPOLEON I. and JOSEPHINE, is now staying at Berne, where he is about to publish a pamphlet dedicated to France, and entitled *Le Société et mon Droit*. He is said to be either a lunatic or an impostor, although he has in his features some points of resemblance to the BONAPARTE family.

Queen ISABELLA has, according to the *Gaceta*, magnanimously resolved to suspend all warlike projects to obtain her restoration. She has opened negotiations with the members of the actual Government, with a view to their accepting the candidature for the throne of the Prince ALPHONSE. If they will have the young Prince for King, the Queen promises that she will abdicate, and that her son shall accept the Constitution voted by the Cortes.

The *North Eastern Correspondence* publishes the following telegram from Constantinople, dated Feb. 1, 10 A. M.: "Explanations have been given to England and Russia, through the medium of their respective representatives, on the subject of the concentration of troops on the frontiers of Montenegro and Dalmatia. It appears from these explanations of the Grand Vizier that the troops will be gradually withdrawn as tranquility is reestablished in the Bocchi di Cattaro."

A communication from Cairo, in the *Italie* of Florence, says: "The pilgrims are expected to be extremely numerous this year at Mecca, on the occasion of the *fête* of the Arafatt, not less than 150,000 being looked for. This solemnity falling on Friday, March 11, gives to the pilgrimage the value of three visits to Mecca in ordinary years. A few cases of cholera have appeared among the persons coming from the Persian Gulf; and had not the Egyptian Government taken the precaution of adopting the most energetic sanitary measures all along the Red Sea, and at other points, there would be great the gathering of 1870 would perhaps be as disastrous as that of 1865."

A meeting of a most enthusiastic character was held at Manchester Feb. 1, in support of the Government. About twenty members of Parliament were present, and five hundred delegates from various towns and from the branches of the National Reform Union. It was the managers of that organization who got up the meeting, and its Chairman, Mr. GEORGE WILSON, presided. A resolution was passed unanimously, expressive of confidence in the Ministry, and pledging that they would legislate for the Irish land difficulty, education, the removal of university tests, and the ballot, and promising support in the carrying of such measures as might be proposed. SIR THOMAS BAZLEY and Mr. JACOB BRIGHT were the first speakers after the Chairman. Mr. BRIGHT advocated the extension of household suffrage to the entire male population, the admission of women to vote, and the abolition of the hustings as an antiquated absurdity.

The persecution of the Jews in Roumania would seem to have recommenced. A letter is published in the Journals on the subject from the pen of M. CRÉMIEUX, President of the Alliance Israelite Universelle, and which says: "A new circular has been addressed to the Roumanian Prefects by the Minister of the Interior to command the expulsion of all the Jews of the rural districts, and the order has been executed with a refinement of barbarity unfortunately too often shown by the agents of Government. Since the date of the 7th of last December all the Jewish inhabitants of a village in the district of Bacau have been plundered, maltreated, driven from their houses, dispersed about the open country; and all this in spite of the rigors of a frost so severe that two children died on the way. We have now just received a list of those expelled from the district of Falcic; it amounts to ninety-four families, forming about 500 persons. Even in the towns, Jews have been deprived of the right, which had been partially restored to them, of devoting themselves freely to commerce; as during the whole of December they were excluded from all public sales and adjudications."

The following letter from Captain the Hon. ERNEST COCHRANE, commanding Her Majesty's ship *Petrel*, on the West Coast of Africa, has been published, but the reliability of its intelligence is generally doubted: "Jan. 3, 1870.—My Dear Sir: A few lines to tell you Dr. LIVINGSTONE has been killed and burnt by the natives ninety days' journey from the Congo. He passed through a native town, and westhree days on his journey when the King of the town died. The natives declared LIVINGSTONE had bewitched him, sent after him, told him he had bewitched their King, and he must die. They then killed him and burnt him. This was conveyed by a Portuguese traveler trading that way. LIVINGSTONE was on the lakes at the head of the Congo, making his way to the Congo, where he was going to come out. I believe this news to be true. I am expecting the Commodore here every day, and on his arrival I go to orders for home."

The death of Rev. CHAS. TOWNSHEND, one of the last members of the literary circle which met at Holland House in the early part of the present century, is announced. He died at the ripe age of 89 years, after suffering during the last three years from paralysis. He was a personal friend of Dr. SAMUEL ROGERS, SAMUEL ROMILLY, HORACE and JAMES SMITH, (the authors of the *Rejected Addresses*,) WM. STUART ROSE, WORDSWORTH, the historian HALLAM and Mr. J. G. LOCKHART. The Duke DE CAZES has just died from a cancer in the mouth. The Dukedom was created by NAPOLEON I. in 1809, and in favor of his Minister, M. DE CHAMPIGNY. The late Duke, who was the eldest son of the first, was created a peer of France by LOUIS PHILIPPE in 1838. The CHAMPIGNY family has been thoroughly loyal to the Second Empire, and its loyalty has been abundantly recognized. Of three brothers of the Duke just deceased one is a Chamberlain and another a Government Deputy; the third, Count FRANTZ DE CHAMPIGNY, a member of the Institute, is the author of a *History of the Cæsars*. The decease of M. CURMER, the publisher and bookseller, who commenced in 1833 the publication of a series of illustrated works which may be cited as perfect marvels of typography, engraving and chromolithography, and that of M. GUSTAVE CAZAVAN, editor of the *Journal du Havre*, are also recorded.

AFFAIRS IN FRANCE.

Interesting Debates in the Corps Legislatif—The Creusot Strike—Gambaglia by M. Thiers on the Majority—The New Press Law—The Imperial Ball at the Tuileries—Americans Presented.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, *Friday*, Jan. 28, 1870.

In the Corps Legislatif, on Wednesday, the strike at Creusot furnished the pretext for an attack on the Government by the Opposition. It will be remembered that on the first news of this event three thousand troops, under the command of a General, were at once ordered to repair to the spot. M. ESQUIROS protested against the intervention of the army in disputes between workmen and their employers, and demanded if the course pursued on this occasion was to be regarded as the future policy of the Cabinet. M. GAMBETTA, in a speech marked by mere moderation than he usually displays on questions of this kind, showed that the employment of the military in this affair was not only not called for by the necessities of the case, but that it was a violation of the law of 1864, which accorded to the working classes the right of free discussion on all matters involving disputes with their employers. The *rôle* which the military had played in this case was one purely of intimidation, and therefore the object of the law, which was intended to protect equally the rights of the workman and the employer, was defeated. The Minister of Justice (M. OLLIVIER) contended that the course pursued by the Government was perfectly justified by the circumstances, as a minority of the workmen had endeavored to intimidate the majority. The law which had been referred to expressly interdicted violence, fraudulent maneuvres and intimidation in whatever form it might assume, and it was therefore the duty of the Government to insure its legal and complete execution. In reply to the question which had been put to him, he would say that it was its intention, whenever freedom of labor or the prescriptions of an existing and unexhausted law were imported, to defend and cause them to be respected in the same manner. M. GAMBETTA maintained that no answer had been given to the question—the only one involved in this discussion—whether the equilibrium of debate between the workmen and their employers had not been destroyed by the presence of the military. The proof that the freedom of labor—that freedom which the law on coalitions pretended to ensure—had not been respected, was to be found in the statement made by the Minister of Justice—a grave and significant one—that "the Government had not contented itself with sending down a few battalions merely, but that acting on strategic principles, it had dispatched to the spot an imposing force—a force so considerable that it at once solved all difficulties." There was no question in this case of a usurping minority seeking to impose its will on the majority, for the excellent reason that in a struggle of this kind the majority had sufficient resources and determination to cause itself to be respected by the minority. There were majorities that could not be intimidated, and these were majorities of workmen. He said it to their honor and for the example and instruction of majorities which neither respected themselves nor knew how to cause themselves to be respected. This terminated the incident.

In the reserve maintained by the Government in its explanations, and which placed it at an apparent disadvantage in the discussion on this Creusot affair, there were some facts kept back which would have placed its course in a different light from that which it at present assumes. In my last letter I mentioned to you that it was in possession of information which would lead to the conclusion that the Creusot strike was, coincidently with the Sheffield affair, part of a grand socialist and republican movement which is being directed from the headquarters of a revolutionary committee sitting at Berne, and which has taken France, Great Britain and Germany for its first fields of operation. It was from the information conveyed to it on this point, and not from a disposition to repeat the scenes of Ricamarie and St. Anbin, that the Government was induced to adopt such prompt and formidable measures of repression. The evidence on which it has acted is not yet sufficiently complete to enable it to lay it before the Chamber, and until it is so it wisely abstains from adding to the existing elements of political uneasiness.

ATTACK BY M. THIERS ON THE MAJORITY.

In the discussion on the proposition for the denunciation of the commercial treaties in the Chamber yesterday, M. THIERS made amends for a weak and ineffective speech on the main question by a sharp attack upon the majority, whom he considered had manifested a want of courtesy towards him by their frequent interruptions.

THE NEW PRESS LAW.

The new *projet de loi*, for the trial of Press offences, was introduced and laid on the bureau in the course of this sitting, after being elaborated by the Council of State; but the discussion on it will not come on until after the debates on the commercial treaties have been got through with.

SNUB FOR THE SULTAN.

I have just seen a dispatch from St. Petersburg announcing that the Great Powers are concerting an energetic remonstrance to the Sultan on the concentration of troops on the frontiers of Montenegro, which they consider is likely to endanger the peace of Europe. This step must have been agreed to by the St. Petersburg Cabinet as a measure of urgent necessity, seeing that it has just emitted a new loan on the European markets.

THE BALL AT THE TUILERIES.

Their Majesties gave their first ball for the season on Wednesday last. Some of the papers set down the number present at three thousand, but if a third be deducted from this estimate, it will be nearer the truth. It was, in fact, one of the thinnest attended balls that has taken place for several seasons past. Among those looked for as impersonating the new order of things which has been inaugurated since the same brilliant company was assembled at the last of these festivities was M. EMILE OLLIVIER, the Minister of Justice and head of the present Ministry. Some of the papers say that his absence was occasioned by the instrumentable repugnance which he has to don a Court suit. He should have followed the example of the American Minister, Mr. WASHBURNE, and his Second Secretary, Mr. MOORE, both of whom wore plain black cloth. The Emperor looked much changed for the worse, his features having a swollen and heavy appearance, with those peculiar ridges under the eyes which denote the progress of kidney disease. Walking appears to be an effort with him, and he has frequent recourse to the aid of the arm of some member of his household. The Empress appears thinner in person than when she left for Egypt. Neither of their Majesties appeared in good spirits. At midnight they made the tour of the *salons*, and stopped occasionally to say a few words to the *habitués* who had the honor of being personally known to them. Their Majesties did not make their appearance again after supper. At 1:30 more than two-thirds of the company had left the palace, but dancing, nevertheless, was kept up until 5 in the morning. WALDTEUFEL, who has succeeded STRAUSS in the direction of the principal orchestra, led, for the first time, in the Salle de Trone. He was replaced by DESORANGES in the Salle des Fêtes. Mme. DE METTERNICH had quite a little court about her during the evening, as had also Mrs. WASHBURNE and Mrs. General BANKS. Mrs. WASHBURNE, who, owing to illness, has lived a retired life up to the present time, charmed every one by the grace and amiability of her manners, and she has proved, I can assure you, quite a diplomatic success.

The following were the formal presentations made to their Majesties by the American Minister: Mrs. Frank Moore, Mrs. N. P. Banks, Miss Binney Banks, Miss Ella Badger, General John Meredith Read, General Augustus L. Chetlain and Mrs. Chetlain, Mrs. Hutchins, Miss Stell, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Fish, Miss Jerome, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Hoffman, Colonel and Mrs. Harrison G. Rittelle, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stebbins, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. Delprat, Mrs. Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Dundas Lippincott, Mr. Clement H. Barclay, Mr. G. W. Fishback, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter, and Mr. Washburne, Jr.—thirty in all.

Amongst the other Americans present were Mrs. and Miss Parsons, Mrs. and Miss Paine, Mrs. Schlocker, Major Dundas, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Curtis, Mrs. J. Cowdin, Mr. Appleton, Mr. and Mrs. Bowles, Mr. and Mrs. Cowdin, Dr. Evans and the Chevalier Wikoff.

Demonstration at the Porte St. Martin Theatre.

Paris (Feb. 3) Correspondence Daily News.

The revival last night of M. VICTOR HUGO'S "Lucrèce Borgia" at the Porte St. Martin, where it was first played exactly thirty-seven years ago, was the occasion of a childish political demonstration which made it impossible to appreciate the merits of the actors who braved the recollections of old playgoers by taking the parts originally filled by Mlle. GEORGES, FREDERICK LEMAITRE and LOCKROY. M. ROCHEFORT, who was in a stage box with the HUGOS, GILL, the caricaturist, and Mme. GEORGE SAND, was enthusiastically applauded. So far there was no harm, as long as the applause did not interfere with the performance. But in another conspicuous box was M. PAUL DE CASSAGNAC, the "Mameluke" of the Empire, as he delights to style himself. His presence made the majority of the audience forget good manners and fair play. As soon as CASSAGNAC was pointed out, several people began to sing his name to the revolutionary air of "Les Lampions." He put up his opera glass to his eyes, and looked on the people who insulted him with a defiant air, which soon brought them recruits. According to the calculations of several papers as many as five hundred ultimately joined in the chorus, and all the reports say that the piece was for the most part played in dumb show. The name of CASSAGNAC was sometimes varied by that of CAMBRONNE, with the addition of "Erre!"—the expletive attributed to the Marshal commanding the Army of Paris, but which he denies having used—signifying that he would be delighted to try the improved artillery upon the people. M. PAUL DE CASSAGNAC is, of course, highly delighted at the prominence given to his name. Like the man in the farce, he likes to be persecuted." He proclaims in the *Pays* that he will ever regard as the happiest day of his life the "day when he alone rose against his detractors and the Emperor." Relying on this friend, he says, "My name will find, on occasion, if the time for volunteers, the Elysian Fields, and I will be the first to hawling crowd." It was no surprise to him. He went to the theatre "recently because he knew he would be hooted." Mme. GEORGE SAND, who, though she has been sometimes on friendly terms with NAPOLEON III., now writes in the *Rappel*—"Your Friends are my friends; dedicated to her 'grand friend,'" Victor Hugo, an article containing her impression of the revival of "Lucrèce Borgia." She thinks it his greatest work. The three superb situations—the mother insulted in the presence of her son; the son poisoned by his mother; and the mother punished and killed by her son—constitute in her opinion a tragedy trilogy." And she pays almost unanimously a great tribute to the genius of VICTOR HUGO when she recalls the fact that "Lucrèce Borgia" was written in a great hurry, to be revamped on the censorship which had stopped "Le Roi s' Amuse," after a first representation, and that it was brought out on Feb. 2, 1833, only two months after the publication of the first masterpiece. Mme. SAND is, I think, quite justified in saying that M. MELINGUE is a better representative of *Alphonse d' Este* than M. HUGO ever had before. But her praises of the other actors, who invite painful comparisons with their foreign peers, must be put down to the score of near classic courtesies between dramatic authors and the existing generation of histrionic performers.

AMERICAN FINANCE.

English Opinion of the Late Erie Report—Cheerful Prospects for English Bondholders.

The London *Times'* City Article, of Feb. 3, says: "The American papers received to-day contain the annual report to the stockholders of the Erie Railway, by Mr. JAY GOULD, the President, and it is properly designated as a document which 'for bold sublimity in the art of perverting the truth has rarely been paralleled.' Mr. GOULD furnishes an almost interminable description of the work he alleges to have been done to improve and equip the road and develop its connections, but he gives no figures nor, indeed, any hint to account for the disappearance of the millions of money that have been squandered. He boasts that the law which the Legislature of Governor HOFFMAN gave the control of the concern to himself and Mr. FISK, was passed by the Legislature of New-York "with scarcely a dissenting vote," and he adds that this law was accepted by the stockholders, and that the present Board was elected by over 365,000 votes, these votes being actually on stock poured forth on the market, and which stood in the name of the company's nominees, the scrip meanwhile passing unregistered from hand to hand. From the result of the proceedings of the Erie Protection Committee in London during the past few days it may be hoped that the social career of Mr. GOULD is now drawing to a close, but all who read the present report will feel that, even if the stockholders should regain possession of their property, the interests of public justice will have suffered grievous default if he and his colleagues are permitted to retire upon having made simply a "clean sweep." On Feb. 4 the same journal states: "According to late advices it is not improbable that Governor HOFFMAN, of New-York, will be the Democratic candidate at the next election for President of the United States. This is a contingency worthy of attention on the part of all holders of United States' securities. It was by Mr. HOFFMAN, in his capacity of Governor of the leading State of the Union, that the control of the Erie Company was placed permanently in the hands of Messrs. GOULD and FISK, he having, against the urgent remonstrances of the most respectable journals, gone out of his way to veto the measure. It is true that Governor HOFFMAN has recently thought it expedient to put forth a manifesto against repudiation; but, it may be asked, what security is there in the face of the experience already acquired that he will, should he be elected to the office of President, appoint a Cabinet capable of giving expression to ideas of financial honesty? If he consulted Messrs. GOULD & FISK proper persons to be intrusted with absolute power over $15,000,000 or $20,000,000 sterling of the property of other people, a majority of whom were foreigners, depending on the good faith that might be shown them, what reason have we to believe that he would not deem these persons, or others of their stamp, the best agents that could be selected for the administration of the national debt, and particularly of that portion of it which happens to be held abroad?"

THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL.

Extraordinary Scene at the Vatican—Infallibility and its Opponents—Restless Cardinals—Rome and Russia—The Question of Adjournment.

In its correspondence from Rome of the 28th of January, the *Liberté* gives an account of a violent scene which had taken place between the Pope and the Syrian Patriarch of Babylon, and which has caused a great sensation here. It appears that on the occasion of the discussion of the second *schema* which treats specially of the prerogatives of the Bishops, the Patriarch delivered a speech in reply to those of several of the Ultramontane Prelates whose views were entirely opposed to the liberties of the Oriental Churches, and which the Patriarch before he left for Rome had taken a solemn oath to defend. In this speech he reminded the members of the Council of the obligation he had assumed, but said: "As for you, my Lords, (Messeigneurs,) you can do as you please, but we Orientals reserve all our rights, which, moreover, have been recognized by the Council of Florence." The Pope, irritated, turned to the Patriarch, and the venerable prelate immediately repaired to the Vatican, where he was introduced to his Holiness by Mgr. VALENZA, the Patriarch of Jerusalem. I give the account of the scene which followed in the words of the correspondent of the *Liberté*. The Pontiff was very pale, and appeared greatly agitated. Instead of receiving him as was an act by which the Patriarch renounced all his rights and exchanged his privileges for the handcuffs of the prelates of the Latin rite. "Sign that paper," said Pius IX. to him, in a tone of command. The Patriarch, in a firm voice, respectfully asked for explanations. His Holiness swore them to him, and presented a pen to him. "I cannot sign an act of this kind," replied the Patriarch. The Pope was then seized with one of those violent fits of passion which are frequent with him. He stamped his hand on the table, broke the pen which he held in his hand, and declared the Patriarch that he should not leave without signing. It was a sort of trap. The Patriarch agitated to the last degree, endeavored to tranquilize his Holiness, and spoke to him of the oath he had taken before leaving his diocese, and of the humiliation of his speaking to the Latins. "Pius IX. only exhibited more irritation, pretended that the oath was a nullity, and again ordered the Patriarch to sign. Finally, after an hour's unceasing struggle, and after His Holiness had broken three pens on his desk, the Patriarch, more dead than alive, submitted, and was permitted to leave the Pontifical Cabinet. A few minutes afterwards he complained with tears in his eyes to his colleagues of the unbecoming treatment to which the Pope had just subjected him." "Was ever such a scene enacted?" adds the correspondent. "You will see, if this unhappy quarrel continues, that Pius IX. will order the Bishops of the Left to vote infallibility with the Right, and that in case of hesitation he will shut them up in the Castle of Saint Angelo until they consent to act like the Patriarch of Babylon. If our American Bishops attempt to contrive by their voices such desperation as this, they will meet with anything but a welcome reception when they return to their diocese.

INFALLIBILITY AND HIS OPPONENTS.

A correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, writing from Rome under date of Jan. 31, says: "Yesterday His Holiness Pius IX. caused to be returned to their Eminences Cardinals RAUSCHER and SCHWARZENBERG the addresses against his personal infallibility, bearing the signatures of Bishops who are spiritual pastors over eighty millions of Catholics, which had been forwarded to him as the common father of the Catholic community. The act is something more than grave; it is, I think, decisive. The Pope might have given an angry, an intemperate, and even an unbecoming reply; but to take the respectful expression of opinion on a matter essentially organic to the faith from one hundred and thirty, if not more, Bishops, in this ill-mannered and indecent manner, as if it were an expression of impertinent and presumptuous interference, is a piece of Papal infallibility that has no precedent. The addresses were sent back without comment or communication, just as one might fling out of window an insolent begging letter. I suppose now there will be an end to the loud notion with which some have been comforting themselves, that there was a chance in the direction of milder counsels and less extreme resolutions. This contemptuous rejection of representations from prelates who are quite the first in hierarchical rank is rendered all the more marked that it was not a deed of momentary impulse. The addresses were returned by the Pontiff after several days' reflection. The matter of importance to observe is that this act of his part is a distinct declaration that the whole notion of compromise has been, as I always thought, a mere feint. If there had been any real thought of seeking some half form which could have been accepted—what such a term could be it is not easy to see—if any such thought had been seriously entertained by men uneasily affected with apprehension at the situation, the Pope never would have been urged to take so offensive a step as he has just done. It must remove the film that has been hanging over those eyes was dimmed, I should hope, any anticipation that the struggle will not have to be fought out to the bitter end. The Bishops, therefore, had better gird up their loins, for the Jesuits—and they are the Pope—will not spare them aught."

CONDEMNATION OF RENIANISM.

It has been for some time a matter of dispute in Ireland whether the Pope's recent condemnation of secret societies was intended to include the Fenian brotherhood. The following decree, dated Rome, Jan. 12, sets the question at rest:

As it may be doubted by many whether the Society of Fenians is included and condemned among the societies which the Holy Father condemned in his Encyclical Letter of the Office of Consistorial Congregation, dated May 13, 1869, and which Pius IX., in the audience of the 10th of the present month, ordained should be made known, the undersigned Secretary of the Congregation, by order of the Most Eminent Cardinals, Prefects of the Congregation, and the Most Reverend Father Secretary, Cardinal ANTONELLI, Secretary of State, Chamberlain of the Holy Roman Church, Pro-Secretary of the Holy Office, Chancellor of Holy Roman Church, Prefect of the Congregation of Propaganda, Prefect of the Congregation of Rites, Prefect of the Congregation of Ceremonies, Prefect of the Congregation of Loretto, Protector of the Sacred Apostolic Penitentiary, Protector of the Hospital of the Holy Ghost, Protector of the Congregation of Propaganda, Protector of the Congregation of Rites, Protector of the Congregation of Ceremonies, Protector

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ERIE'S TEMPTATIONS.

The Erie Railway and the Opera House—"The Twelve Temptations" in Court—Fisk, Jr., and the Erie Railway Company Enjoined—Injunctions and Counter-Injunctions.

The case of JOSEPH C. FOSTER vs. JOHN E. McDONOUGH and WM. E. DEVERNA was before the Supreme Court at Chambers yesterday, Judge BARNARD occupying the bench. The case came up on an order to show cause, granted on Monday last by the Judge named ex parte, at the suit of the plaintiff, JOSEPH C. FOSTER. The latter is an employe of JAMES FISK, Jr. The order to show cause appointed one JOHN F. COLE, who is treasurer and general business agent of the Grand Opera House, a receiver of all the personal chattels, and especially of the wardrobe, scenic effects, scenery and other properties of the play known as "The Twelve Temptations," also of the manuscript of the play, and all moneys accrued or to accrue therefrom other than the proportion which by the terms of the contract is to go to the Opera House. It is claimed in the papers on which the order is based that the defendants, McDONOUGH and DEVERNA, are with the plaintiff, FOSTER, joint owners of the play above named, and of the scenery and properties thereof. The order to show cause enjoined the defendants from interfering in any manner with the production of the play, and required the defendants to show cause on the 16th inst., (yesterday,) before the Judge granting the order, why the injunction and the order appointing COLE receiver should not be made permanent. The proceedings being filed on Mr. FISK, as one of the counsel for the defendants, he objected to proceeding on the hearing, and asked for an adjournment until Friday, on the ground that he had not had time to examine the papers and prepare affidavits. The notice, he said, was very short; the papers had been served upon his clients but a little more than twenty-four hours.

Judge BARNARD said he had not postponed the case unless the argument of the order to show cause, granted by Judge VAN BRUNT, of the Common Pleas, on the 8th inst., and made returnable on Thursday, (to-day,) could be adjourned over to Monday next. If that were done, the Judges would consent to the argument in the Erie matter being postponed to Friday. An arrangement of the kind was accordingly entered into, and the case adjourned to Friday.

The action alluded to by the presiding Judge is entitled, Common Pleas, JOHN E. McDONOUGH and WM. E. DEVERNA vs. JOSEPH C. FOSTER, JOHN F. COLE, JAMES FISK, Jr., and the Erie Railway Company. The papers, with much verbiage, set forth that long ago there was written and produced in Germany a theatrical piece known as "Eve, or the Devil's Roof," that this piece was afterwards translated and produced in England and America; that defendant, FOSTER claimed the right of reproducing the piece in this City under the name of "The Twelve Temptations," but having no pecuniary ability to bring the play properly before the public, and also not having sufficient knowledge of the details of theatrical performances to enable him handled and alone to procure the necessary wardrobe and other accessories for the successful production of such a piece, and in order to secure these requisites, FOSTER associated with him the plaintiff, DEVERNA, who assisted in the preparation of the wardrobe, scenery, &c., and advanced $3,000, and also gave his personal attention to it for five months; that neither FOSTER nor DEVERNA had sufficient money, and so they associated with them the plaintiff, JOHN E. McDONOUGH, with whom they made a written agreement dated Nov. 1, 1869, to the effect that he should advance the moneys necessary for the complete production of the piece; that the manuscript, wardrobe, properties, and scenic effects, should be severally one-third; that the profits arising from the production of the piece, over and above the price to be paid for the use thereof to the proprietors of the theatres, should be equally divided between the three contracting parties; that settlements under the agreement should be made weekly, and on the same days that settlements should be made with the proprietors of theatres; that in the event that the plaintiff, McDONOUGH, should advance for the purposes a larger sum of money than either DEVERNA or FOSTER, the first profits should be applied to reducing the advances of McDONOUGH until they were reduced to the same amount as the advances of DEVERNA and FOSTER; that the agreement should continue until each of the parties thereto had been fully reimbursed for his advance, and in case of death of either of the parties before such reimbursement, the agreement was to continue in favor of the legal representatives of such deceased party; that one-third of said profits was to alienate his interest in the same without first offering to the others the option of purchase; that DEVERNA and FOSTER were to keep accurate and just accounts under said agreement, and to render the same on demand to McDONOUGH, as by the agreement, which these plaintiffs now bring into Court; that plaintiff and defendant FOSTER made a contract with Mr. COLE in October last, COLE representing the Opera House, of which J. FISK, Jr., asserts he is owner and manager, but concerning which the plaintiffs assert that Fisk's claim of ownership is absolutely false to the knowledge of the Erie Railway Company; that the Grand Opera House was purchased with the funds of the Erie Company, and hence it is made a party to the action. That follows an allegation that McDONOUGH advanced about $7,000; that the price in question was first produced at the one 7th inst.; that FOSTER, FISK and COLE have entered into a conspiracy to defraud the plaintiffs, and the complaint concludes by asking that an accounting be had, a receiver appointed, and an injunction granted. The merits of the case will be argued in the Supreme Court at Chambers on Friday.

The injunction granted by Judge VAN BRUNT, of the Common Pleas, restrains the defendants from selling or assigning the manuscript and properties of the play known as the "Twelve Temptations," or from paying out, disposing of or dividing among themselves any portion of the net receipts of the play.

CHESS.

The Tournament of the Brooklyn Chess Club.

The Committee on Tournaments have appointed the 12th of March as the closing day of the proceedings. As many games have yet to be played to bring the contestants under the three-fourths rule lively times may be anticipated. The strongest players have yet to contend together.

There are twenty-six players, and as each player must dispute two games with every other player, making a total of fifty, it follows that fifty-eight games must have been contested to entitle any competitor to a prize.

The following is the score up to yesterday afternoon:

	Won.	Lost.
F. E. Brensinger	15	0
J. Mason	7	0
Captain McKenzie	7	0
C. A. Gilberg	13	2
F. Perrin	10	2
H. Delmar	15	4
Dr. White	10	4
A. W. King	7	4
M. Munoz	8	4

Minute of the Williamsburg Chess Club Tournament.

The society of chess amateurs closed the proceedings of the tourney on Tuesday evening in a very social manner. An elegant, substantial entertainment was prepared for them, and the evening passed away most pleasantly. Speeches were made and songs were sung. The six prizes, which consisted of as many gold medals, were distributed to the victors in the following order: First prize, to Major Wernich; second prize, to Von Frankenberg; third prize, to C. Vogt; fourth prize, to J. Knoll; fifth prize, to Fuchs, Jr.; sixth prize, to Demuth. It is worthy of remark that Major WERNICH won thirty-six games, only losing two; and that the Baron VON FRANKENBERG scored thirty-five and a half games, with the loss of only two and a half.

The Astoria Fire—Company of the Proprietors of the Nassau Oil Works.

As the principal owner of the Nassau Oil Works, destroyed by fire Tuesday morning at Astoria, Colonel A. A. DEGRAUW, is out of town, it is impossible to get the names of the companies in which the works were insured. The Superintendent, Mr. BETTS, did not know or would not tell the value of the property destroyed.

The jury in the case of Mr. HANKS, who was burned to death, found "that he came to his death by the accidental burning of the Nassau Oil Works, and censure the proprietors for employing a number of men to have charge of the works and recklessly running them."

It was found by the testimony of an expert and others that as there was no escape-pipe for the naphtha from the still it was only a matter of time when the works would explode. There was no certificate of the safety of the boiler, and the engineer had no license.

Yesterday morning the fire broke out again in [illegible]

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LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

OYER AND TERMINER AND SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part I.—Held by Brady, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

No. 1. The People vs. John Reynolds, murder.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Part II.—Held by Barnard, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Motions.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Held by Gilbert, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Demurrer.

Law and Fact.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Daly, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

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Part II.—Held by Joachimsen, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

[illegible]

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Alker, J.—Calendar Called at 10 A. M.

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Part II.—Held by Gross, J.—Calendar Called at 10 A. M.

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Held by Hackett, Recorder.

The People vs. Peter Clifford; burglary.

The People vs. Charles Green; burglary.

The People vs. David Degrant; burglary.

The People vs. Jas. Owens; burglary.

The People vs. Thomas Cahill; burglary.

The People vs. Lewis Dowdey; burglary.

The People vs. Frederick Evans; burglary.

The People vs. John Wilson; grand larceny.

The People vs. Jeremiah Hartnett; felonious assault and battery.

The People vs. Peter Cassidy; grand larceny.

The People vs. William Schroeder; petit larceny.

DECISIONS.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 1.

By Judge Spencer.

American Corrugated Iron Company vs. Elmer; motion granted.

Same vs. Same; motion granted.

Bierbury vs. Freedman; motion granted.

Pollock vs. [illegible]; motion granted without costs.

Peshine vs. Pollard; motion granted and order of arrest vacated and set aside.

[illegible]

Merritt vs. Knickerbocker Ice Company; motion denied with costs; with liberty to renew on further papers on payment of said costs.

Gallagher vs. Williams; complaint dismissed, with costs.

Hahn vs. Salem; motion granted on payment of costs.

Ling vs. Ellis; motion granted.

Andersen vs. Billings; motion granted.

Thompson vs. Lynch; motion granted and cause [illegible]

Ford vs. Belmont; motion granted on paying costs of term to plaintiff.

Thompson vs. Hancock; default opened on payment of costs; judgment and execution to stand as security [illegible]

[illegible]

Motions as filed; motion granted. Order must be fairly engrossed and submitted for signature.

Ling vs. M. Lawrence; judgment for plaintiff with costs.

Ellis vs. Western; motion granted with $10 costs.

Leach vs. Shaw; order discharged with the costs.

By Judge Jones.

Speyer vs. Meyer. See memorandum with Special Term Clerk.

The People ex rel. Samuel Meyer vs. Harrison; case settled; filed with Clerk's office.

Hines vs. Felan; case settled and filed in Clerk's office.

American Corrugated Iron Company vs. Elmer; motion granted.

Stey vs. Browning; motion granted and cause [illegible]

Stevens vs. Hague; motion granted.

Mutual Union Telegraph Company; motion granted and commissioner [illegible]

Sherman vs. Brown; motion granted.

Martin vs. Sykes; motion granted and cause discharged.

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—CONTINUED.

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COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—PART I.

Before Judge Loew and a Jury.

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SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 16.

Before Judge Spencer.

[illegible]

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART II.—FEB. 16.

Before Judge Brady and a Jury.

THE PERILS OF HIRING OR A FERRY BOAT.

Jacob F. Wyckoff vs. The Queens County Ferry Company.—A[illegible]

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SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 16.

Before Judge Barnard.

THE KANSAS PACIFIC RAILROAD SUITS—AN INJUNCTION GRANTED.

Sanders W. Johnston vs. The Kansas Pacific Railway Company et al.—The plaintiff in this action, on behalf of himself and other stockholders in the Kansas Pacific Railway Company, after a history of the formation of this Company, sets up that he and one John P. Usher, in September and November, 1869, entered into two Agreements with the Company to procure a treaty by which the Pottawatomie Indians should surrender their lands, or the portion of them desired by the Company, for which Usher and Johnston were to receive $1,250,000—one-third to Usher and (ostensibly) to the Indians, and two-thirds to Johnston, who undertook to procure the treaty, and to receive the money and proceed to the Indian country. Upon arriving at the Chippewa agency, Usher, by stratagem, induced him to believe that the Indians had changed their minds and had sent away from the agency the Chiefs, Pamoseh and Nowatoka, who were strong and the strongest opponents of the treaty. Upon returning to Washington, however

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

A London telegram of yesterday brings the intelligence of several marine disasters of recent occurrence. Among these is the wreck of the Nova Scotia ship *Rizo*, lost on the Lincolnshire coast with eight of her crew, and the burning of the bark *Undine*, from New-York, at Rotterdam....Seven Paris newspapers have receiv ed "official warnings." The *Marseillaise* is to be subjected to another prosecution....A popular meeting at Belleville, the scene of the first outbreaks, was suppressed by the Police without disorder, on Tuesday evening....General Prim on Tuesday assured the Cortes that the visit of the Duke of MONTPENSIER had no relation to politics....A strong debate arose in the Spanish Cortes, on Tuesday, on an accusation made by the Carlist Deputies that the Government had interfered against their candidates in the recent elections.....A Paris dispatch says the other Great Powers sustain Russia in the demand on Switzerland for the surrender of the felon RERCHAMPT.....Continental banks are reducing the rate of interest....The Bishops of Antwerp, Mechlin and Salerno have been raised to the dignity of Primates by the Pope. A Paris dispatch says Père HYACINTHE is to be relieved from the obligations of his Carmelite vows, and to continue in orders as an ordinary priest.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, nothing of note was done. The discussions of the day were on the bills providing artificial limbs for disabled soldiers, and for the admission of Mississippi. Neither was acted upon, and at 5:20 P. M. the body adjourned.

In the House some new business of importance was introduced. Among the resolutions was one in relation to granting a bounty, for the next three years, on iron-built ships constructed in this country from American materials, equal to the duties imposed on such materials if imported. Resolutions regarding Cuba and the enforcement of the Neutrality law were introduced by Mr. BANKS and referred. A long and animated discussion occurred on the Green-Van Wyck contested election case, which resulted in the adoption of the majority report declaring Mr. VAN WYCK entitled to the seat. The House, at 5:20, adjourned.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday the Excise law came up as a special order, and after protracted debate was sent to the Committee on Internal Affairs, with instructions to report complete. A resolution that in the opinion of the Legislature all the New-York Commissions should be abolished was referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs. Bills were introduced to pay soldiers of the war of 1812, and to provide facilities for transport and transfer of property, and prevent combinations against trade on the canals. A motion requiring the Comptroller of New-York to report, within ten days, the disbursements, and the obligations incurred, under the act of 1869, was laid over. A resolution that the New-York Board of Supervisors ought to be abolished was referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs. The Brooklyn Public School bill was adversely reported. A recess was then taken until 7:30 P. M. The business of the evening session was mainly general orders.

In the Assembly the prominent feature was the appearance of Judge PORTER, of the Supreme Court, District-Attorney PEARSON and Sheriff RAMSDEN, of Saratoga, in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, at the bar of the House, to give reasons for the assumed breach of privilege in arresting a member to secure his attendance as a witness. Judge PORTER said he appeared solely through courtesy. He defended his action, and said he would repeat it under similar circumstances. He denied that the House had any such privilege as was claimed. The law exempts members from arrest under civil process, but in this case the process was a criminal one, issuing from a criminal court. After a long discussion on the nature of the process, a resolution was adopted that Judge PORTER had committed a breach of the privileges of the House, through a mistaken notion of what they were, but that no intention to interfere with the independence and dignity of the House actuated him. The Judge and the Court officers were discharged. Several bills were reported, among them the Canal Appropriation bill, and the bill abolishing the Court of Special Sessions in New-York.

GENERAL.

The health of Ex-Senator GRIMES, of Iowa, is again said to be failing rapidly. He may not live to return from Europe.

The election in the Second Congressional District of Wisconsin for a successor to the late Hon. F. B. HOUKINS, has resulted in the return of General DAVID ATWOOD, editor of the Madison *State Journal*.

The House Committee on the Judiciary has come to the conclusion that there is no evidence to support the charges against Judge BUSTEED, and will ask to be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

A Havana dispatch announces the sailing of Mr. SEWARD for Baltimore. The wounded victims of the recent outrage are improving.

The Virginia Senate adopted a resolution yesterday that it is not necessary to elect a United States Senator for the term ending March, 1875.

A Dutch family in Chicago was poisoned in some unknown manner on Tuesday night, and the mother and one child died before morning.

The Erie Railway Company, JAMES FISK, Jr., and others, have been sued and enjoined in the Common Pleas in regard to "The Twelve Temptations," now being played at the Grand Opera House. Another action is pending in the Supreme Court, before Judge BARNARD, in which the parties are reversed. The argument on the merits in the latter case is to be heard on Friday.

A resident of Long Island named WYCKOFF, whilst trying to pass over from Astoria to New-York, on one of the Queens County ferry boats one evening in October, 1869, was, with his wife, horse and wagon, plunged into the river in consequence of no chain being up on the bow of the boat, and of the horse taking fright from the noise of the steam whistle. Mr. WYCKOFF and his wife were rescued, but the horse and wagon were seen no more. On the trial of an action brought by Mr. WYCKOFF, the jury, under the charge of Judge BRADY, of the Supreme Court, yesterday rendered a verdict for the full value of the lost property. Some important principles of law in regard to the duties of ferry companies were raised on the trial.

In the Board of Education, yesterday, a communication was received asking that the Irish language be taught in the public schools. It was referred to a committee.

Three criminals were sentenced to imprisonment by Recorder HACKETT, in the Court of Special Sessions, yesterday.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Fire Commissioners held yesterday, the report of the Finance Committee was received. In accordance with their recommendation the Treasurer was directed to pay various bills amounting in the aggregate to $62,321 62.

The Case of Georgia.

Our Washington correspondent foreshadows an angry and protracted contest in Congress in regard to the admission of Georgia. We see nothing in the case that can justify either irritation or delay.

It seems idle to discuss the claims to recognition put forward in behalf of the Legislature which elected Messrs. HILL and MILLER to the Senate. The essential point in support of the interference of Congress last December was the fact that the Legislature, as then existing, was unlawfully organized. Its majority had been guilty of bad faith and usurpation. They had disregarded the Congressional requirements as well as the letter and spirit of the local Constitution, and had abused a power to which they had no right. The notoriety of these circumstances constituted the vindication of Congress. A Legislature whose organization was at variance with fundamental law, and whose action provoked Federal intervention, cannot be held entitled to elect Senators. This decided, the pretensions of Messrs. HILL and MILLER become worthless.

The difficulties which have arisen in connection with the organization of the present Legislature may afford excuse for much ingenious casuistry, but their practical importance seems greatly overrated. The whole business of reconstruction presupposes an ample discretionary authority on the part of the District Commander. Much has necessarily been left to his judgment. A specific duty is before him, and the law prescribes the means with which he shall work; but in many matters of detail his authority suffices to cover unforeseen contingencies. Precisely thus occurred what are alleged to have been irregularities in the action of General TERRY at Atlanta. The old spirit of the Democracy was there at work against him. The same tactics, which in the first instance, frustrated one purpose of the Reconstruction acts, were again displayed with the view of defeating the scheme of Congressional interference. It was a case in which the District Commander was required to decide promptly—even arbitrarily. No one pretends that General TERRY's decision was not honestly rendered, or that its operation did not secure substantial justice. It established equity; it was in entire harmony with the spirit of the law; and these considerations should be sufficient to dispose of objections which emanate from persons whose little game of faction General TERRY quietly spoiled.

Whether, after all, the admission of the State shall or shall not be subject to conditions, is a question which the terms applied to Virginia have decided in advance. We should have preferred an unconditional admission in each instance. But having decided that certain conditions should be imposed on Virginia—of all the Southern States the most thoroughly reconstructed—Congress laid down a rule from which Mississippi and Texas cannot fairly escape, and to which Georgia should not be an exception.

Mr. Creamer and the Rural Democracy.

If the respectable citizens and farmers of Western New-York, both Democrats and Republicans, who have recently petitioned the Legislature against granting money to sectarian schools, wish to know how a Tammany Democrat looks on their efforts, let them read Mr. CREAMER's speech in the Senate debate of Tuesday. Mr. CREAMER proposed to refer these highly respectable and reasonable petitions to a "Committee on Obscene Literature." The spirit of them he characterized as "hypocritical cant;" they were got up by a "lot of scribbling, senseless, churchless, howling pastors;" and the petitions were described as "mean, contemptible, sneaking, religious, hypocritical cant."

Senator WOODIN showed VERY MUCH SENSE in reply, that these petitions did not come from pastors at all, but from lay citizens, without respect of party, and that they arose not from religious zeal or opposition, but simply and solely from desire to preserve the common school system intact. The sort which Mr. CREAMER defends is so indecent a manikin, we sufficiently described in Tuesday's issue; it was smuggled into the Tax Levy, and is altogether too loose and vague a provision to stand before a judicial investigation. We trust that the Judiciary Committee, to which it has been referred, for that reason, if no other, will recommend its immediate repeal. The majority for its reference—only one—indicates, in all probability, a very close contest over the act in full session.

Mr. CREAMER's speech will show rural Democrats what is the spirit of the New-York Democracy towards them. Any defence of the free school system will be designated at once as "cant and hypocrisy." Their honored clergymen will be called "howling pastors," and their respectful petitions be referred to "Committees on Obscene Literature."

If this is the game the City Democracy propose to play with their rural friends, they will soon see the end of it. This opposition to the withdrawal of the school fund for sectarian purposes, is deep and strong; it pervades all classes and all parties in the country. The New-York Democracy are powerful and well-founded on plunder and corruption; but they are causing a movement through the rural districts which will shake even them to the ground. The American people believe most of all in free education, and separation of Church and State. New-York sectarians and abusive demagogues cannot overthrow this creed. We believe this session will see the repeal of this odious and improper law.

The Death Knell of the "Ring."

We reproduce in another column a very remarkable article from the *World* on the misgovernment of this City, and the duty which at this particular moment presses upon the reputable section of the Democratic Party. This new manifesto will not surprise any one who has read the *World* attentively of late. It has left off criticising its political opponents, and boldly come forward with a distinct policy of its own. Its enemies assert that in taking this course it is not actuated by the purest motives. That sort of retort is the very one which we naturally look for from men who are known to be dishonest themselves. It is part of their tactics to vilify the motives of all who threaten to expose their misdeeds. We have nothing to do with these charges, and it is no part of our duty on this occasion to inquire why it happens that the *World* has proclaimed "war to the knife" against the "Ring." We are very well contented to find it fighting for the same object as ourselves. Its assistance in a good cause would be welcome even if its foes could substantiate statements which at present are entirely unsupported by evidence.

We have again and again called the attention of all honest Democrats to one plain fact—namely, that the corruption and misgovernment of this City, the shameful Judiciary, (with certain exceptions,) and the general collapse of law and order, are taken by the country at large as the natural outcome of Democratic principles. When Democrats say to the people, "Place the Government in our hands and see what we will make of it," the people answer, "We can see that already in New-York City. Some of your well-known Judges are in league with the vilest criminals, and your citizens are taxed heavily for the maintenance of tricksters and social outlaws." Thus a stigma of the blackest kind has been affixed to the whole party. All over the civilized world the name of "New-York Democracy" has come to be identified with a vast system of robbery and spoliation. The more scrupulous members of the party naturally feel this to be an injustice. In the country, especially, Democrats know that they are suffering for a sin which they did not commit, and could not prevent others from committing. It is not too much to say that our City Government is doing them every day as much harm as all their mistakes during the war combined. What prospect is there of winning a Presidential election with this heavy disgrace clinging to them?

The *World* has been one of the first of the Democratic journals to acknowledge the justice of these considerations. The time is critical. Next Fall a Governor will have to be elected, and a still more important contest will then require study and preparation. In what condition are the Democracy for meeting these trials of strength? The *World* tells us very frankly. The "Ring" has "debauched politics and defiled the name of Democracy." A little knot of men "have plundered us of millions yearly, obstructed our material growth, made our markets, our wharves and piers and streets, mere monuments of their rapacity, our elections a farce, and now have put up Judges in our very Court Houses to sell injustice for a price." Our readers have often met with denunciations of that kind in these columns. But it is like a new revelation to receive them from the *World*. Our contemporary, however, is speaking not against its party, but in the truest and best interests of that party. The "Ring" will, of course, howl at it. Corrupt Judges may set their infamous tools to work in the hope of averting the retribution which is certain to fall on their heads some day. But if the better sort of Democrats do not take the lessons which the *World* now reads them, seriously to heart, they will lose the best opportunity they have had for some years past of recovering a dreary expanse of lost ground.

Future historians may have to record that this schism in the Democratic ranks was the precursor of the revival of a party which has its uses no less than our own. The vital principle of parliamentary government is that there should be two parties in the country—one to govern, the other to exercise the wholesome check of opposition. The Democrats have not known how to fulfill the latter function, and for a long period they have abandoned themselves to false leaders and fallen into deep sin while pursuing shadows. The *World* would summon them to that higher part which is still open to them; and it is of little moment for any one to turn round and tell us that the *World* is only playing a game. The question is, Does the *World* speak the truth or not? We know, and everybody in the country knows, that it does. This one City is accomplishing the ruin of a party still great, in spite of its numberless errors. New-York is drinking the life blood of Democracy. Everywhere Democrats ought to unite their strength in one tremendous blow at the infamous clique who would paddle away the honor of the nation without one tinge of remorse. The rural members of the party ought to ally themselves with every honest Democrat they can find in New-York. They will never have so good a chance again as they have at their command now. It is the turning point in the checkered history of their party. Let us be rescued from a municipality which has become almost a national scandal, from licensed assassins who do the work of politics, and from officers of the law, high and low, whose hands are soiled with dishonest gold, if not with blood.

The Census.

We have at last reached bottom in the agitation of the census question, and the preparations for the ninth national census, to be taken for the first day of June of the present year, have been commenced under the law of 1850. Congress has utterly failed in its attempts to enact a new law more in accordance with the wants of the times. This result is extremely mortifying, though not entirely unexpected by those who have been familiar with the course of events since the discussion of the subject commenced.

It is well known that this result is contrary to the desires of all who have taken an interest in the subject, and no one is satisfied with it, unless it be some one who is contented because some one else is disappointed. We should not be surprised if a few persons obtain some satisfaction in this way. But the great fact remains—the most mortifying result—that in census legislation we have failed to make any progress in twenty years of this age of progress. We have failed, too, at a time when the progress of other nations in relation to this subject, and the peculiar and unexampled condition of our own country, all demand of us a census far in advance of any previous one.

We may, perhaps, venture to glance at some of the causes of this stupendous failure. The first that we will mention was the neglect of Congress to act upon the subject at the last session. The subject was discussed at considerable length in the House, and during the last days of the session that body passed a very brief act—sufficient, however, to set the machinery in motion. But the Senate failed to act upon it before the final adjournment, notwithstanding the importance of action was urged by all who were familiar with the preparations necessary for a successful census. From this time it became evident that the chances of success were greatly diminished.

The House of Representatives, however, appointed a Committee to investigate the subject during the Summer. This Committee, with General GARFIELD, of Ohio, as Chairman, was composed of highly intelligent gentlemen, zealous upon the subject, and all animated by a desire to have a census that would be an honor to the country. But they had, at the beginning, very little practical knowledge of such matters. They made the great mistake of asking for information from a great number of persons—statisticians, theorists, and some who had not sufficient practical knowledge to construct a theory. The result was what might have been expected; the Committee followed nobody's advice, and framed a bill that suited nobody but themselves. This was the second cause of the failure in legislation upon the census.

The bill of the Committee was reported promptly in the House at the beginning of the session; it was urged forward with all possible dispatch by the able Chairman of the Committee, and was passed in the House before the holiday recess by a large majority. But the bill itself, the amendments it received in the House, and the manner in which its passage was enforced, were all objectionable, and were sufficient to secure its final defeat in the Senate. First, the bill itself contained some of the worst as well as some of the best features of a census law; it embraced theoretical provisions which were impracticable, and practical provisions so great in amount as to be impossible; it limited the time for taking the census to one month, and required more work than could possibly be well done in one year; it embraced practical absurdities, and omitted practical necessities; in a word, it was a law that no practical man could approve, and that no suitable man would have attempted to execute. Secondly, the amendments the bill received in the House only added to its impracticability and rendered it still more objectionable. Amendments were accepted by the Committee increasing greatly the amount of labor and the time necessary to execute the law; while the same Committee refused to accept and opposed amendments which alone could have made its execution possible. Finally, the manner in which the passage of the bill was urged upon the House was objectionable. One of the best features of the bill—the provision for District Superintendents—was used to obtain support for the bill on the ground that it would give a large amount of patronage to the members of the House.

The bill was passed and sent to the Senate; it was fully examined by the Committee to whom it was referred; it was severely criticised by practical statisticians and others, it was defended by the eloquence of SUMNER; but from the beginning of the debate its fate was sealed. It was finally laid on the table by a vote of 45 to 9—and thus failed the attempt to improve our Census laws. No attempt will now be made to frame a general law upon the subject, to apply it to the census of the present year; but we presume some amendments will be made to the law of 1850, which is now in force. The necessity for some improvements is so obvious, that it can hardly be disregarded. We may, at a future time, indicate some of the changes in the law that seem to be demanded, and consider the prospective results of the census to be taken under it.

Life Insurance in the Legislature.

Our wise and virtuous legislators at Albany evidently consider life insurance companies easy and legitimate prey. Not a session is allowed to pass without more than one attempt to force these institutions to terms, either by threatening them with vexatious enactments, or subjecting them to blackmailing investigations.

The visit to this City of a Committee, a few days ago, with the professed object of conducting an investigation into life insurance affairs, bore on its face evidence of corruption. Such an investigation, to be of the slightest value, should be conducted by experts. But here was a Committee composed of men utterly destitute of all qualifications for the task,—quite competent to drive a hard bargain, no doubt, but no more fitted to inquire into life insurance management than to expound the latest discoveries in astronomical science. Timely exposure marred the plans of the Committee, whose members returned to Albany to resume the prying process under more favorable circumstances.

Nor are the proposed measures relating to life insurance entitled to more respectful attention. A scheme for dealing with lapsed policies, and another scheme for regulating the distribution of profits by life insurance companies, are at the best quackery. They may be devices for bringing companies to terms, for aught we know to the contrary. But even supposing them to be of a less improper character, they are manifestly mischievous, because meddling with matters which involve the special knowledge of the actuary, and which, so far as the interests of the policy holders are concerned, may be safely left to public criticism, as the best means of influencing public opinion.

We are not insensible to the defects of Life Insurance management, or to the need that exists for reform if the companies are to retain the public confidence on which their usefulness and prosperity in a large degree depend. But there can be no reform worthy of the name which does not originate in an intelligent conception of a very difficult subject, and is not carried forward by capable and reputable men. To satisfy these requirements, we must look elsewhere than to the Albany Legislature.

Who is the Slayer of Assassins?

The other day, during the visit of Prince ARTHUR, a piece of news was invented for the comfort and satisfaction of jaded appetites. It was, however, no sooner set afloat than contradicted, and consequently it could scarcely have done much good to the enterprising journals which published it. The reporters from whom the story had been derived all declared that they had received it straight from the Police. Upon this Superintendent KENNEDY at once ordered an investigation to be made, and we are told that he is still following the matter up with great determination. That means that he will infallibly unravel the whole mystery, for Superintendent KENNEDY is not the man to be drawn off the scent when once he has found it.

When we see this trouble taken over a comparatively small matter it is impossible to avoid wishing that we could engage Superintendent KENNEDY in a task more worthy of his abilities and position. He is a keen and sagacious man, and we do not believe that a more efficient administrative officer is to be found in the State. Even the Democrats, who are eager to supplant him, freely admit that they would give a great deal to find as good a man to put in his place. They dislike the thought of parting with Mr. KENNEDY, only, as they say, he is so "uncompromising"—that is, he is an earnest Republican, and he would give the thieves no quarter if he could help it. Now a man of this kind, with the resources at his command, ought to be able to follow up a case like that to which we have drawn attention the last few days, and let us know who were the instigators of an outrage worthy of Venice in its worst days. Fifth-avenue is by no means a secluded thoroughfare. On Saturday night there was a bright moonlight, and the Police must have been able to see passers-by very distinctly. A well-known citizen was going home, at half-past eleven, from a reception given to the President-elect of Harvard College. He lives scarcely a hundred yards eastward of Fifth-avenue, in Twenty-ninth-street. He noticed on one corner of the street a man of slight figure, dark whiskers, about five feet ten inches in height. In another second a short, sharp whistle sounded from the opposite direction, the gentleman heard rapid steps behind him, and before he could turn round he was struck to the ground by a blow intended to kill him; as it was, the force of it was broken by the rim of his hat and the collar of his overcoat. He was not robbed of a cent, although he had valuables of various kinds about him. The object of the crime was not plunder.

There are many grounds for believing that some one of the persons whom Mr. EATON has offended in his attacks upon dishonesty and corruption, deliberately hired an assassin to perform this work. The whistle down the street was in all probability a signal to the thin, dark man from some one who knew Mr. EATON. It informed him that the moment had arrived for earning the wages of blood. The *Tribune* very justly observes that it concerns the managers of certain corrupt organizations which Mr. EATON has assailed, "to take early and effective action to clear themselves in the public mind." This hint is quite direct and plain enough to be understood. The quarters for which it is intended will have no doubt as to the application. We seem to have arrived at an era of civilization when a man who dares to attack abuses is doomed to secret assassination. No man who feels it to be his duty to speak on behalf of honest citizens, can deem himself safe. The order may be issued for his execution any night. We might as well be living under the reigns of the Inquisition at once. When men who have wealth or power at their disposal cannot silence a man by bribing him, they will hire cowards to stab him in the back.

Now, is it possible that Superintendent KENNEDY and all his Police are going to sit down dumbfounded before an affair like this? Which of the constables ought to have been at or near Twenty-ninth-street and Fifth-avenue between half-past eleven and twelve last Saturday night? Was there no one answering to the description of the thin dark man seen lurking about before the outrage, or running away after it? Will no rewards induce any of the agents in the assault to come forward and make a "clean breast" of it? Already the Bar has offered $5,000 for the discovery of the person or persons who were engaged in it. This is a large sum of money. We have no doubt that any informant could escape punishment, or at least have the penalty greatly mitigated, if he would disclose to the authorities the names of those who had hired him to commit the deed. The detectives ought to be able to do something with this $5,000 to back up their inquiries. If they are worth anything at all, now is their time to prove it. The brave who was employed to kill Mr. EATON probably did not receive more than $50 for the work. Will not a hundred times as much induce him to tell us who his employers were? Perhaps he might be able, at the same time, to inform us who is the next victim on his list. We may be pretty sure that the vendetta is not to stop with one attempted murder.

The example of Mr. DAWES is infectious. Here we have Hon. DENIS BARNES declaring, in the first meeting for the year of the Kings County Democratic General Committee, "That in twelve years' residence in Brooklyn he had seen taxes rise from $300,000 to $6,000,000 per annum, and those of New-York from $8,000,000 to $36,000,000, and that without Commissioners, but under boasted Democratic rule." Accordingly, he "begged the Committee to take cognizance of these facts." A bombshell like that is not often thrown by a Democrat into a Democratic camp. We, of Republican proclivities, are used to as sharp criticism from our own ranks as from those of the enemy, but we have never counted on a similar spectacle among the Democracy. If Mr. BARNES, or any of his brethren desires to become the Dawes of the Democracy, he cannot play a more useful or public-spirited *rôle*; nor will he be any the less a sound Democrat, as DAWES is still, we believe, a sound Republican. Let us take courage. Civic and national reform are not hopeless when a man can state facts without a party bias, and figures without making them lie.

It is perhaps inevitable, but none the less to be regretted, that the Fitz John Porter case should arouse once more the fierce animosities, personal and partisan, of 1862. It is clear, from the official record, that General PORTER was satisfied with his Court at the time of trial, and so expressed himself, personally and through counsel. If the matter rests only there, the case clearly should not be revised, and least of all should a pardon be granted. But the ground on which Messrs. GREELEY and BANKS, Senators WILSON, SHERMAN, CURTIN, FOSTER, HARRIS and other distinguished men have asked for revision, is entirely different. Their ground is, that while the Court contemplated no injustice, "new and decisive testimony, inaccessible at the time of trial," is now offered. The existence of such evidence is a question of fact, and a fact of which such gentlemen as those just named should be competent judges. We think public sentiment is in favor of fair play for PORTER.

Admirals GODON and STRINGHAM are in favor of getting another site for the Navy Yard on account of its narrow accommodations in Brooklyn and also because of the annoyance and yearly expense of removing the foul drainage deposits of that part of the city. This last must always be a grave consideration; for that Wallabout flat, however occupied, would still suffer from the want of a fall in the sewerage, and also the want of a current in the little bay to carry off whatever matter may come down. With streets of houses, that space between the Navy Yard and Williamsburg would be much worse off, in that respect, than it is now. Drainage is a very grave civic problem in all cases, but a very puzzling one in cases like the present. A reform which would send the stagnating feculence of a great city somewhere else than into the river, would be one of the best reforms of the age.

The Committee on Territories will exactly meet public wishes if it refuses to organize for Alaska any sort of separate civil Government. To create such a Government for six score voters and twelve score citizens, would be needless, ridiculous, and recklessly extravagant. The only result of such a piece of legislation would be another batch of sinecure places, whose salaries might as well be poured through a sieve for any good the expenditure would do us. When General HALLECK had command on the Pacific, he garrisoned the coast as strongly as if an attack were menaced from the Asiatics; but General THOMAS, his successor, reduced the whole Territory to a two-company post, which served all purposes. To put a territorial government in Sitka would be a continuance of the Halleck policy. The country has all the Government it needs, and civil offenders can be conveyed for trial to San Francisco quite promptly enough to serve the ends of justice.

If only all our Judges were like Recorder HACKETT!—and happily there are a few who need not be ashamed of a comparison with him. This week the Recorder has ridden the City of some desperate scoundrels, and that for long periods, so that we are not likely to be troubled with them until we have had time to look about us. "George Smith," a burglar, was sent to the State Prison for twenty years, and the Recorder announced for the benefit of his fellow criminals that "all convicted burglars would receive similar treatment at his hands." But then if some other Judges imitated the Recorder, what would become of their personal friends and political supporters? They would be nearly all in Sing Sing. We can scarcely expect this sacrifice of friendship.

There is fire as well as smoke in the cadetship investigation, and unless we wish to have appointments to the Academy bought and sold, and quoted at ruling prices, like speculative stocks, that fire must be traced to its source. However, the exposure of individual corruption in this matter is but a temporary and partial remedy for a great evil. We need to remove the temptation itself, by a law of Congress bestowing the cadetships only after a competitive examination of many candidates. To Congressmen might then be reserved, if necessary, the power of nominating, and the political patronage they are so loth to surrender would really be increased—as, for example, by giving them five or ten appointments instead of one—while the successful candidate would be chosen solely on his merits. Still better, if practicable, would it be to throw open the cadetships to a more general competition, not depending on Congressional appointment.

LOPEZ, of Paraguay, seems to have the fault attributed to certain other belligerent people in the world of not knowing when he is beaten; for he was recently strong enough to undergo another defeat from the Brazilians who, under the command of Colonel FONSECA stormed his intrenchments at Rio Verde. He gives no sign of surrender; and in the wild, hilly country where he has taken refuge, he would be likely to baffle his enemies, unless, as has been reported, the native Indians should undertake to circumvent him. Three chiefs are said to be employed for that purpose, and they would certainly be the most damaging adversaries he could have at the present juncture.

It appears that Mr. J. P. BAILEY, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Thirty-second District of New-York, has instigated the arrest of Mr. M. R. COOK, of the firm of G. A. FELLOWS & Co., on a charge of defrauding the Government. We know nothing whatever of the merits of this case, and consequently we express no opinion at present upon it. But it is quite evident that a man had better think twice before becoming a dealer in distilled spirits in Mr. BAILEY's district. First, his premises are likely to be ransacked, and his books all carried off bodily to any place ordered by the Collector—about as extreme a measure as can well be imagined. Lastly, he may himself be walked off by the Police on a very serious charge. If Mr. BAILEY is doing his duty faithfully, and can prove his charges, the accused must take the consequences. The Post tells us, however, that his measures have so far "occasioned much excitement, especially among firms who think that if summary and violent proceedings can be instituted on suspicion against such houses as FELLOWS & Co., the trade is never safe from embarrassment." Many strange things are possible in New-York, but in cases of this kind a fair trial is happily within reach of the implicated persons. Nothing less than such a trial will satisfy the public demands.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP COLUMBIA.

The steamship *Columbia*, which left Havana Feb. 12, reached this port yesterday. Purser MAGNA is once more entitled to thanks for the prompt delivery of our Havana correspondence.

The Situation — Government Plans — Greenwaldt's Murder — Additional Particulars of the Tragedy.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Feb. 12, 1870.

The last few days have been barren of any political or military movements of importance. The insurgents in Cinco Villas hardly give any signs of life, and if the columns of Generals PUELLO and GOYENECHE, which left Puerto Principe on the 6th and 9th inst., should meet with any marked success, the statement of the Spanish authorities that the rebellion is drawing towards a close must be received with more credence than it has been accepted hitherto. The families who for the past twelve or fifteen months have followed the fortunes of the insurgent forces, and who have shared the privations and hardships of the Cubans in the field are presenting themselves in large numbers to the Spanish authorities demanding pardon and protection; a number of armed insurgents have done the same, but not in such numbers as to effect materially the Cuban forces. It is a matter of doubt whether all these families have left the insurrection merely on account of the hardships they had to endure or whether they obey some order of CESPEDES to that effect. It is certain, however, that a body of troops encumbered with a numerous retinue of families, and therefore compelled to move slowly and with care, cannot be as efficient as when such obstacles are removed. The Spaniards intend to rebuild Guisaro, Cascorro and other towns destroyed by the insurgents, and to people them with the families who have surrendered, and place forts at each of these places for their protection. The result of GOYENECHE and PUELLO's present march will decide this more fully. That the Spaniards are still as confident and hopeful, and, in fact, dream of no other solution than the pacification of the Island at an early date, is amply proven by the decline of the premium on the notes of the Spanish Bank, which can now be exchanged against gold, in any quantity that is offered, at one and a half to two per cent. premium, a more nominal rate, and not as high as the notes of many strong and reliable banks in the United States were rated before the war. Hundreds of abuses and roguelities, permitted under former Governments, have been suppressed, and as far as honesty and straightforwardness are concerned, the present executive members of affairs in Cuba take the highest possible stand.

GREENWALDTH'S MURDER.

None of GREENWALDTH'S murderers has been arrested thus far. The testimony of many eye-witnesses shows that after the first shot had been fired, the poor victim had several scores of assailants, headed by three policemen, who fired at him several times. After he reached the corner of Zanja-street and the Villanueva Depot, where he was stopped, and where he begged for an interpreter or some one to notify the American Consul, he was set upon with sticks, stones and knives, and making a superhuman effort, threw his assassins from him, and again started in the vain effort to get rid of his blood-thirsty pursuers. In passing the sugar factory belonging to D. ANSELMO DEL VALLE, he was felled to the ground by a chair, but he arose again and ran for about thirty feet, when he was again struck to the earth by a shower of sticks, stones and missiles. Then he was stabbed, whether with a knife or a bayonet, Dr. BURGESS, who made the post-mortem examination, will be better able to say. The poor fellow was seized and his arms pinioned behind his back; the pallor of death was on his face, and every step he took, in this sad plight, towards the Calador's office, was marked with blood from his wounds. On entering the office and being unbound he fell into a swoon, and in ten minutes was a corpse.

QUASIMODO.

This is the age of great enterprises. Our columns this morning contain the particulars of the loan of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company, who are extending the rails from the summit of the Alleghany ridge, across West Virginia to the Ohio River, at a point not far distant from Cincinnati, Columbus and Lexington. This road, of which the greater part is in operation, will form a through line between tide water and the great water and railroad lines of transportation of the Mississippi Valley. It opens up to activity and settlement a fine agricultural country, and very valuable deposits of coal and iron. The prospects of a large and profitable traffic, together with the honorable names of the officers and directors, combine to give the loan special prominence at this time.

Death of a Well-Known Merchant.

We are called upon to announce the death of a young and promising merchant of this City, Mr. ROBERT B. GWYER. Mr. GWYER was for some years connected in business with the South, where he possessed the love and confidence of all with whom he came in contact.

Many will feel keenly the shock of his removal, and all knowing him must regret that we have lost one distinguished by his social virtues, purity of life, and of motives, and love of justice. He was for ten years a commission merchant in this City.

ALBANY.

The Dignity of the Legislature Vindicated—The Excise Bill—Abolishing the Commissioners—Leasing Stalls in the Markets, &c.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE NEW-YORK TIMES.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1870.

The Assembly occupied most of its time today in the final disposal of the case of alleged breach of its privileges perpetrated by Judge Potter and the District-Attorney and Sheriff of Rensselaer County in the arrest of Henry Ray, member from Ontario, who had refused to obey a subpœna issuing out of the Court of Oyer and Terminer of Rensselaer County. The galleries were crowded to witness the proceedings and a large number of Senators occupied seats in the Chamber. Judge Potter accompanied by District-Attorney French and Sheriff Benedict, were escorted into the Chamber at 12 o'clock M., by the Sergeant-at-Arms and paraded in front of the Speaker's desk. The Speaker informed them of the purpose for which they had been arraigned, and commencing with the Judge, asked him if he had any excuse or explanation of his conduct to offer. The Judge asked if he would be permitted to make a statement by counsel; which, after a speech from Mr. Fields against his right to be so heard, the Speaker decided in the negative. The Judge, who is a tall, venerable-looking man, 70 years of age or over, then drew from his pocket a roll of manuscript which he proceeded to read to the House, and which occupied over an hour. He denied the right of the Assembly to summon him before its bar, and said that he had answered the summons only as a matter of courtesy. He asserted that his action in the premises had been entirely legal, and would be repeated to-morrow if a similar case were to come before him. He reviewed the report of the Committee on Grievances, on which the present action of the House was based, criticised its deficiencies of law and argument, and showed that its citations of authorities and precedents were one sided, antiquated and partial, and utterly failed to warrant the conclusions of the Committee.

At the conclusion of the Judge's speech, the Speaker suggested as a matter of courtesy that the criminals might have the privilege of retiring from the Chamber while the House discussed the character of the punishment to be inflicted upon them. Judge Potter replied that so far as he was concerned, unless driven from the Chamber, he preferred to remain where he was. No objection being made, he was allowed to take a seat and listen to the debate, which was opened by Mr. Fields, in a long speech in reply to the Judge's statement, and continued by Mr. Littlejohn, Mr. Alvord, Mr. White, Mr. Husted, and others—all of them except Mr. White, favoring the report of the Committee on Grievances. Mr. White took the ground that the Assembly had committed a mistake; that it had no right to summon a Judge of the Supreme Court before it for punishment or reprimand, when it was admitted that he had done nothing but what his oath of office compelled him to do according to his understanding of the law. He also claimed that the Judge was right in his construction of the law; that the subpœna to Mr. Ray, issuing as it did out of a Criminal Court, could not be regarded as a "civil process," and therefore did not come within the provisions of the statute exempting members of the Legislature from obedience to it.

Several resolutions were offered as to the nature of the punishment that should be inflicted upon the Judge, but finally that of Mr. Alvord, which merely recites that the Judge was guilty of a breach of the privilege of members, but that he had none other than the purest motives in committing it, was adopted, and Judge Potter was discharged.

District-Attorney French then made his statement and was disposed of in a similar manner, as was also Officer Benedict.

THE EXCISE BILL.

The discussion of Murphy's Excise bill was continued in the Senate at some length, and resulted in the adoption of Senator Norton's substitute.

OUGHT TO BE ABOLISHED.

Senator Genet offered a resolution that all the "Commissions" now existing in New-York "ought to be abolished," and Senator Norton offered an amendment including also the Board of Supervisors. Both were adopted, and referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs as a guide to the Committee in preparing a new charter for that City.

EXCLUDING JERSEYMEN FROM THE MARKETS.

The bill introduced some days ago to prohibit every one not a resident of New-York from leasing stalls in any of the public markets was favorably reported from the Committee on Cities to-day. The same bill was discussed last year, and killed, as it ought to have been.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Wednesday, Feb. 16.

THE EXCISE LAW.

After the reading of the journal the Senate went into Committee on the special order—the Excise law.

Mr. Scott moved an amendment that at the general election of 1870 the question of granting licenses be submitted to the people of the State, which he proceeded to advocate.

After debate, this amendment was lost.

Mr. Wood offered an amendment providing for the election of Excise Commissioners by the people of the several counties except in incorporated cities, the Commissioners to hold office for three years, the minority to be represented in the Board, and no elector to vote for more than two Commissioners on the ticket. Lost by a vote of 14 to 15.

Further debate ensued, when Mr. Wood added to his amendment a section applicable to incorporated cities, providing for the election of six Commissioners of Excise to hold office for six years, the majority to elect four and the minority four of such Commissioners. Lost by a strict party vote of nine to thirteen.

Mr. Wood then moved to amend that the Excise Commissioners shall be elected directly by the people in the several towns. Lost.

After further discussion the Committee rose, and the bill was referred to be reported complete.

THE NEW-YORK COMMISSIONERS.

Mr. Genet offered a resolution that it is the opinion of the Legislature that all commissions in New-York should be abolished. Referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Harpending—To pay soldiers of the war of 1812. This appropriates $125,000.

By Mr. Hardenbergh—Authorizing the State to provide suitable facilities for the transfer and storage of property, and to prevent combinations against trade and commerce on the canals.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Genet moved that the Comptroller of New-York report within 15 days the amount of moneys disbursed, bonds issued, and obligations incurred by the City under the act of 1869. Laid on the table under the rules.

Mr. M. Norton offered a resolution that in the opinion of the Senate the New-York Board of Supervisors ought to be abolished. Referred to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

Mr. Murphy reported adversely on the bill relating to the Brooklyn Public Schools.

Recess to 7½ o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

GENERAL ORDERS.

The Senate, in Committee, disposed of the following bills, as noted:

Amending the Freeport Warehouse Company act. Ordered to a third reading.

Amending the Revised Statutes relative to trial and punishment of accomplices after the act. Ordered to a third reading.

For the relief of corporations organized under the general law. Ordered to a third reading.

To extend the term of office of Collectors of Taxes in towns in Kings County. Ordered to a third reading.

Changing the name of the Eastern Department Society, of New-York. Ordered to a third reading.

Amending the act designating the holidays to be observed in payment of notes, &c. It provides that days falling on Sunday go till Tuesday, and those falling due on Monday go till Saturday. Ordered to a third reading.

Providing for new trials in cases of convictions in Courts of Oyer and Terminer. Ordered to a third reading.

Authorizing the School Trustees of New Lots, Kings County, to borrow money for school purposes. Ordered to a third reading.

Authorizing the Treasurer of Westchester County to borrow money to erect a bridge over Pelham Creek. Ordered to a third reading.

Amending the act authorizing towns to aid in the construction of railroads. Ordered to a third reading.

Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

REPORTS.

By Mr. Bamlin—The Canal Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Ferar—Abolishing the present Court of Special Sessions in New-York; also, chartering the Manhattan Market Company of New-York.

By Mr. Moseley—Setting apart a portion of the Brooklyn Park for the use of the military.

By Mr. Campbell—Relative to non-residents occupying market-stands in New-York.

By Mr. Ferar—Amending the act to increase the salaries of Judges of the New-York Police and District Courts, and confirm the action of the Common Council of New-York in relation thereto.

THE SUPREME COURT AT THE BAR.

The Speaker announced the special order, summoning to the Bar of the House Judge Potter, District-Attorney French and Sheriff Benedict, of Saratoga, to give reasons for the high breach of privilege in arresting as a witness Hon. H. Ray, member of the House. The Sergeant-at-Arms bringing these gentlemen at the Bar, the Speaker addressed them, stating why they were brought here, and asking what excuse they had to give.

Judge Potter asked if he could be heard through counsel.

The Speaker stated that under the circumstances he could not.

Judge Potter then addressed the speaker, declaring that he did not acknowledge the power of this House to summon him to its bar for the purpose stated, or for the reasons given; but he had through courtesy appeared here, notwithstanding deemed the authority of the House in this matter. He then proceeded at some length in defence of his action, and declared that he would repeat his action under like circumstances. He said it was not himself who was brought here; it was the Supreme Court of the State, which this House was about to set aside. He claimed that the Judicial Department of this State had powers as well as the Legislature. He asserted that the House had no right to bring these two departments into conflict; and whatever resolution the House might pass it could not degrade the Court, nor the representative of the Court here. He analyzed the law of privilege to show that the House had no such privilege as was claimed for it. The law exempts members from arrest under civil process. This member was not arrested under civil process. The process issued from the Oyer and Terminer, a criminal Court. He suggested that the resolutions reported by the Committee be withdrawn and be referred to the Judiciary Committee for review and further consideration, or to the Attorney-General of the State for an opinion. He suggested this, as the matter involves a very important precedent—thus arraying one department of the Government against another. He insisted that he had administered the law in this case in accordance with the interpretation by the most eminent jurists, and he called attention to the fact that this was the first instance in the whole history of American jurisprudence that a Judge was arraigned for mistaking the law. He reviewed the report of the Committee, and cited authorities to show that their claim of privilege was based on cases in England occurring over a century ago and before the passage by Parliament of the law which now defines the privileges of members.

At the conclusion of Judge Potter's address, Mr. Fields moved that Judge Potter, in issuing the attachment for the arrest of Mr. Ray, is deserving of the censure of the House, and that he be reprimanded by the Speaker. Mr. Fields then at some length argued that the privileges of the House had been grossly violated by the action of Judge Potter. He insisted that the attachment was a civil and not a criminal process, and proceeded at length to show by frequent citations from authorities that this was a civil process, and that, as the Judge had admitted, a member was exempt from arrest under such a process.

Mr. Alvord offered the following amendment to Mr. Fields' resolution:

Resolved, That Hon. Platt Potter was mistaken as to the privileges of this House in the action taken by him in the arrest of Hon. Hiram Ray, and did commit a breach of its privileges in so doing; but this House do not believe that any intention or desire to interfere with the independence or dignity of the House actuated him in the performance of that which he deemed his judicial duty.

Mr. W. D. Murphy moved as a substitute that the opinion of the Attorney General as to the meaning of the civil process be obtained before action is taken, postponing the subject till March 1.

Mr. Littlejohn claimed that a member of this House was exempt from arrest under any and all process, except in the case where he himself is charged with a crime. He proceeded at some length to illustrate and sustain his position, but still believing the Judge had acted from the best of motives he would vote for the resolution of Mr. Alvord.

Mr. Husted, after sustaining Mr. Alvord's resolution, moved the previous question.

Mr. Murphy's substitute was rejected, and Mr. Alvord's amendment was adopted by a vote of 95 to 16.

Judge Potter was then discharged from custody.

W. B. French, District-Attorney, was then brought to the bar of the House. He took the position that this was a criminal process.

Mr. Fields moved a similar resolution to the one adopted in the case of Judge Potter, and it was adopted.

Mr. French was discharged from custody.

Elisha B. Benedict, Deputy Sheriff, was then arraigned, and had the Clerk read a statement that he executed the attachment under the advice and direction of a superior officer.

On motion of Mr. Fields Mr. Benedict was discharged, he having acted merely in a ministerial capacity.

Adjourned.

SHOCKING MURDER.

A Farmer Chopped to Pieces with an Ax—Details of the Affair—Arrest of the Murderer.

From our Special Correspondent.

HIGHLAND, Ulster Co., Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1870.

An Associated Press dispatch has briefly informed you of a terrible tragedy enacted near Ohnoville, this county, yesterday. Four miles below Ohnoville, and twelve miles from the Hudson River, there resided a wealthy and highly influential farmer named Daniel A. Hasbrouck. He was about 45 years of age. In his employ was a deaf and dumb colored man named Gardner. He was brought up by Mr. Hasbrouck, and was looked upon in a measure as one of the family. It was his work to do the chores about the farm. Monday night he appeared to act sullenly, refused his supper, and went moping about the house. Yesterday morning he also refused his breakfast, and still showed a sullen disposition. Mr. Hasbrouck, by signs, requested him to go to the wood pile and split some wood. Gardner started for his work, Mr. Hasbrouck following him. When the two reached the pile the negro commenced his labors and had split one or two sticks, Mr. Hasbrouck watching him in the meanwhile, when the murderer suddenly turned upon his employer, and seizing him by the throat raised the ax and brought down the gleaming blade upon the left eye and forehead of the victim, the blood spirting from the horrible cut. Again the ax was raised, and again it descended, this time across the face and lip of the farmer. The blood from the wounds flowed in every direction, and covered with gore, Mr. Hasbrouck, though faint, broke away from the unknown wretch and started to run. A female shriek told that the bloody affair had been seen from the house. The negro pursued and overtook him, and for the third time the cruel ax was raised and then sent crashing through the left shoulder of Mr. Hasbrouck, knocking him down upon his face. The screams of the woman at the house had alarmed the neighbors, and two or three came running towards the spot, but before they could reach the bloody scene the monster raised the ax the fourth time, blade upwards, and again it descended, the butt falling upon the back of the farmer's head, crushing in all the posterior part of his cranium. Not till then was the hand of the bloody fiend stayed. Mr. Hasbrouck was a horrible sight. About him upon the snow were streams of blood horeycombing the whitened flakes, while the clothes of his farmer wife were literally soaked with blood. His head and face presented a shocking appearance. Perfectly unconscious he was conveyed to his residence. The fright and grief of his family were heart-rending. Drs. Holt and Gerow were sent for, and a messenger was sent to Poughkeepsie after Dr. John R. Cooper, who arrived late in the afternoon, and who pronounced the sufferer dying. The negro Gardner was at once arrested, and then for the first time showed signs of fright. Being deaf and dumb, he, of course, could do nothing but make gestures, and these were, to the farmers, meaningless, except that he was observed to encircle his throat with his hands, and then held one hand far above his head and dangled it, as if to say he expected to be hung for the awful deed he had committed. He was taken before a justice of the Peace at Falts, and after a brief hearing was sent to Kingston Jail to await the action of the Grand Jury. During his short stay there were threats of lynching him. He is 22 years of age. For a long while Mr. Hasbrouck had been urged to get rid of him, as the neighbors and members of the farmer's family looked upon him with suspicion.

Mr. Hasbrouck heard all advice kindly, but invariably replied that he was not afraid, because he could handle him easily. Mr. Hasbrouck's family consists of a wife and one child.

Funeral of Isaac Greenwaldyh.

The funeral of Isaac Greenwaldyh, the American citizen who was killed at Havana by the Spanish Volunteers, the arrival of whose remains in this City was chronicled in the Times yesterday, took place yesterday morning. He was of the Jewish faith, and the Society Paal Berith, of which he was a member, took charge of the proceedings. The male relatives of Mr. Greenwaldyh, two Hebrew societies with which he had been connected, and a large number of personal friends followed the body from No. 311 Bowery to Bay Cemetery, Long Island, where it was interred. At the request of relatives no demonstrations of a public nature were made. The coffin was a plain one, and bore the name and age of the deceased.

The order of procession was as follows: Jefferson Lodge of the Order of Mashabas; Grand Lodge of Israel; Arzeh Lodge, No. 1, of the Freemen of Israel, and the Ascher Lodge, and the Grand Lodge, the Jonathan Lodge, and Emanuel Lodge, all of the same order of the Freemen of Israel, in their respective order. There were fifteen carriages full, each bearing providing thereof carriages. Leon Lannian and Kemp were present; the Spanish Consul also occupied a carriage. The Grand Master, Mr. Rosenthal, and the Vice Grand Master, Mr. Stogers, were likewise the occupants of carriages.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE...WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 16.

A message was received from the President announcing his signature to the bill for the relief of the poor of the District of Columbia, and that the bill for the relief of J. E. Rensing had become a law without his signature.

RESOLUTIONS FROM STATE LEGISLATURES.

Mr. Sprague presented resolutions of the Alabama Legislature in favor of the establishment of a National Postal Telegraph Company, which were laid on the table.

Mr. Anthony presented resolutions of the Rhode Island Legislature for a harbor of refuge at Block Island, commanding the entrance to Long Island Sound. He said the improvement was demanded as a means of security to navigation, as intended to afford much needed facilities for the commerce of the whole country, and as a necessary public defence. The resolutions were then referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A NEW SAVINGS BANK.

Mr. Morrill, of Maine, introduced a bill to incorporate the National Union Savings Bank of the District of Columbia, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

ARTIFICIAL LIMBS FOR DISABLED SOLDIERS.

On motion of Mr. Wilson the House bill to provide for furnishing artificial limbs to disabled soldiers was taken up.

Mr. Platt moved to amend by extending the provisions of the bill to disabled soldiers of the Mexican war, which was agreed to.

Mr. Edmunds moved to strike out of the bill the provision allowing an equivalent in money to those entitled to receive an artificial limb, remarking that the proposition was simply an indirect increase of the pensions of such persons, while no provision was made for those who had lost one eye or suffered from like injuries.

Mr. Cameron moved to include in the bill the soldiers of the war of 1812 who had lost limbs in actual service.

Mr. Edmunds proposed an amendment so that the bill should provide for all soldiers disabled in active service to an extent equivalent to the loss of such limb. He said his object was to include not merely those who had lost a limb, but all who had lost eyes, whose limbs had been dislocated or backs broken.

Mr. Thayer suggested to the Senator from Vermont (Mr. Edmunds) to introduce a bill to provide for the different classes of disabled soldiers referred to, and not to permit this particular class, who had lost limbs, to be alone provided for.

Mr. Sherman remarked that we were now paying thirty millions per annum for pensions, and that if 875 was to be given to every disabled soldier, the aggregate of the increased pensions would be largely swollen.

Mr. Edmunds modified his motion to a simple proposition to strike out the third section, allowing payment in money of the value of a limb to all those entitled to receive limbs. He said the objection was that this bill was a species of pension legislation, which would disturb the present carefully graduated scale of equality between soldiers differently disabled.

The motion of Mr. Edmunds was not agreed to—yeas 21, nays 21.

Mr. Sawyer offered an amendment excluding from the benefits of the bill any soldier of the war of 1812, or of the Mexican war, who aided in the cause of the late rebellion.

The bill was then laid aside.

THE MISSISSIPPI BILL.

The consideration of the Mississippi bill was resumed.

Mr. Yates said that in justice to himself and his high appreciation of the Senator from Wisconsin, (Mr. Carpenter,) he voluntarily withdrew whatever of personal character was contained in his recent reply to that Senator's position.

Mr. Stewart made an argument to deny the constitutional power of Congress to impose unwarranted conditions upon Mississippi. In reply to a question by Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Stewart said he did believe that the condition prohibiting any change of the Constitution of Mississippi in the present provision for school rights and privileges for citizens of the United States, was unconstitutional.

Mr. Edmunds inquired upon what ground the Senator voted for the same condition in the case of Virginia if he believed it to be unconstitutional?

Mr. Stewart said he was anxious to put Mississippi in the Union, and he would vote for his bill to admit her with the conditions in it, though he did not believe Congress had any constitutional power to impose such conditions.

Mr. Willey said he opposed the conditions upon Virginia, but after they were imposed voted for the bill containing them. If the Senator from Vermont (Mr. Edmunds) and others acting with him thought there was an impropriety on the part of those who opposed the conditions upon Virginia as unconstitutional in afterwards voting for the bill, he (Mr. Willey) would relieve himself of any charge of inconsistency and stand fair upon the obligations of his official oath by moving the repeal of the action of the Senate in the matter. He therefore submitted an amendment to repeal so much of the Virginia act as declared the State admitted to representation, upon certain fundamental conditions therein expressed.

Mr. Morton asked why, if the Senator desired to be consistent, he did not admit all the States which were admitted on conditions.

Mr. Willey said the pledge of Congress had been given to admit the late rebellious States to representation upon their doing certain things. Mississippi and Virginia had complied with all these requirements, while the pending bill in its very inception declared Mississippi to have a republican government. Therefore the conditions to make her government republican was superfluous.

Mr. Edmunds denied that Congress had ever entered into any bargain to reconstruct any State upon certain conditions. He proceeded to review the subject in detail. Referring to what were called admonitions and threatenings of popular storms, of which New-England had been warned to take heed, he said that the principle upon which the institutions of that section were established could never be overthrown, and that the wisdom of her belief in the power of the Government to preserve in peace what it had maintained in war would be vindicated in the future.

Motions to proceed to an Executive session and to adjourn were defeated, the former by one and the latter by two votes.

Mr. Fowler then addressed the Senate against the power of Congress to impose the conditions.

And at 5:20 o'clock the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Indefinite leave of absence was granted to Mr. Morrissey on account of continued ill-health in his family.

PETITIONS.

Petitions were presented as follows:

By Mr. Cox—Of several thousand cigar manufacturers, journeymen cigar makers, dealers, &c., to repeal the tax of twenty dollars per thousand cigars to $1 per pound and fifty per cent. *ad valorem*. Like petitions were presented by Messrs Kerman and Kelsey, of New-York, and Mr. Strong.

BUSINESS FROM STATE LEGISLATURES.

Mr. Sheldon, of Louisiana, presented the joint resolution of the Legislature of Louisiana relative to duties on sugar and molasses.

Mr. Johnson presented the memorial of the California Legislature for the erection of a breakwater at Crescent City.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. Hamilton, of Florida, introduced a bill to annex the Collection District of St. Mary's to the District of Fernandina, Fla., and establishing a port of delivery at Fort Henry, on the St. Mary's River. Referred.

Mr. Bennett introduced a bill for the better protection of the Northern and Northwestern frontier, &c. Referred.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions were offered and disposed of as follows:

By Mr. Maynard—Directing the Special Committee on American Navigation Interests to inquire into the expediency of granting a bounty on all iron-built seagoing vessels constructed in this country during the next three years and from American material, equal to the duties which would have been imposed on such materials if imported. Adopted.

By Mr. Thomas, of Tennessee—Calling for the report of sent. 16, 1869, on the Rio Hondo claims. Adopted.

By Mr. Orme—Instructing the Judiciary Committee to inquire into the expediency of reporting a law conferring admiralty jurisdiction on State Courts on existing common law jurisdiction. Adopted.

By Mr. Hunter—Directing the Secretary of the Treasury to take into consideration the erection of suitable buildings at Paducah, Ky., for a Post Office, United States Courts, &c. Adopted.

By Mr. Maynard—For a like purpose relative to Albany, N. Y. Adopted.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE ON TERRITORIES.

Mr. Cullom, from the Committee on Territories, reported several bills regulating the jurisdiction of Probate Courts, the salaries of Judges, &c., in the Territories. Passed.

Mr. Cullom also reported the petition of citizens of Massachusetts that the State be remanded to a territorial condition on account of its "States rights" heresies in 1861, &c. [Laughter.] Referred to the Reconstruction Committee.

Mr. Dyer, from the same Committee, reported a bill to redefine a portion of the boundary between Nebraska and Dakota. Passed.

Mr. Poughmoy, from the same Committee, reported a bill setting aside the net proceeds of the internal revenue collected in Arizona, Dakota, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming for 1869-71-72, for the erection of capitol buildings in those Territories not to exceed $40,000 in each.

Mr. Davis, of New-York, made the point of order that the bill made appropriations, and must first be considered in Committee of the Whole.

The Speaker sustained the point of order, and the bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Cullom, also from the same Committee, reported back adversely a bill providing a territorial Government for Alaska. Laid on the table.

Mr. Cullom, from the same Committee, reported the bill of all the provisions of the New Utah so as to prevent plural polygamy. During the reading of the bill the morning hour expired, and the bill went over till to-morrow.

CUBA—ADDITIONAL RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Banks, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, introduced the following joint resolution, which was read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs:

Joint resolution relative to the contest between the people of Cuba and the Government of Spain.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized and instructed to decline and maintain a strictly impartial neutrality in the contest now existing between the people of Cuba and the Government of the Kingdom of Spain; and be it further

Resolved, That all acts or parts of acts, and all provisions of the statutes approved April 20, 1818, entitled "An act in addition to the act for punishment of certain crimes against the United States, and to repeal the acts therein mentioned," which may or may be construed to be in conflict with the foregoing resolution of the object and purpose of the foregoing resolution, shall be and hereby are declared to be, in regard to the existing contest between the people of Cuba and the Government of Spain, and so long as that contest shall continue, inoperative, null and void.

DECISION IN THE GREENE-VAN WYCK CASE.

The House then, at 1:20 o'clock, resumed consideration of the Greene-Van Wyck contested election case.

The discussion was continued until 4:20 o'clock, and the House then proceeded to vote on the resolutions. The resolution of the minority, declaring Gunnery, the sitting member, entitled to the seat, was defeated—48 to 131, and the resolution of the majority, giving the seat to Van Wyck, the contestant, was adopted—yeas 119, nays 41.

A motion to adjourn was then made on the Democratic side, pending the swearing in of Van Wyck.

Mr. Brooks, of New-York—Swear him in; swear him.

Mr. Stiles—After that outrage, the House had better adjourn.

The Speaker—The gentleman's language is very unparliamentary.

It appearing on a division that no quorum was present, the House, at 5:20 o'clock, adjourned.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

FAUST AT THE ACADEMY.

The performance of "Faust" last night was one of those agreeable disappointments that sometimes occur to compensate for occasions when greater things are expected but not forthcoming. There were hazardous indications about the cast which, results being what they were, we prefer not to point out in detail. It is enough to say that, the *prima donna* aside, the public would not have been greatly surprised had this representation achieved very moderate success. The satisfaction was therefore quite general and freely expressed by the crowded audience when a really sterling performance was given which, if it seldom rose to superlative merit, was in most respects even and careful, and in some instances ascended considerably above mediocrity. Miss Kellogg's exceedingly sweet and lovable *Marghérita* is so familiar here as to call for no lengthened eulogium; but it is always just to record this charming young singer's improvement in firmness and purity of tone, in feeling and precision, and in the histrionic breadth and executive power that are so essential to the great lyric artist. Signor Lotti is hardly strong enough for *Faust*, but he is a smooth and conscientious tenor, whose chief preventive from achieving excellence, besides the delicacy of his voice, consists in the curious immobility of his features. With some improvement here, and a trifle more dash and fire in his action, Signor Lotti might take higher rank than at present can be accorded him. Signor Rinaldini fairly outdid all we have seen him do as *Mephistopheles*. He was in good voice last night, singing false very rarely; he has clearly made a close study of the part, and his acting and singing last night deserved and got warm commendation. Signor Betini's song in the garden was honored with a hearty encore. The opera was in other regards tolerably well managed, but in no other particulars calls for special mention. On Friday, "Il Trovatore" is offered, and on Saturday "Rigoletto," for the first and only time at a *matinée*.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

Mr. S. P. Warren, the skilled organist of Grace Church, gave his fourth organ recital at Association Hall yesterday afternoon. The programme, representative of Bach, Martini, Handel, Dussek, Volckmar, and Best, and including in its scope two centuries, was of genuine historical interest, and was, as we need hardly say, admirably interpreted. Valuable vocal assistance was rendered by Miss Maria Brainerd, and Charles Darwin is to benefit by an entertainment at the Theatre Français tomorrow evening. The first set of "Barbe Bleue" and the opera of "Le Sourd" will be given.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE

The New-Jersey Agitators in Council—Formation of a County Association—Speeches by Mr. Whitehead, Mrs. Burleigh and Others.

Three weeks ago a Woman's Convention was held at Newark, N. J., in the theatre of that famous city. Last night, however, another company had possession of the theatrical boards, so that the ladies were obliged to display their eloquence at Library Hall. But the audience was by do means a large one, so that the seating capacity of the building was not too severely tested. The scenery was emblematic, doubtless selected for the occasion. What could be more appropriate than the two painted figures of women on the walls at each side of the stage, and which for coniness of drapery might have been stolen from the Thompson collection, the one bearing in her arms the globe, the other a lyre? Then the scenery; a country in the distance, a bridge spanning a swift flowing, muddy torrent, perchance intended to be a fit representation of the power of the ballot in the hands of woman to bridge over the stream of political corruptions. A table and six chairs were on the stage, but the former was soon placed one side, and a genuine pulpit substituted.

Miss Lucy Stone called the meeting to order, and nominated Henry Whitehead, Esq., for Chairman. A Miss Love (a very good representative of the winged god) was elected Secretary, and thus presided over by age, and having chosen love as a medium of transaction, the meeting was organized. Mr. Whitehead then returned his thanks for the honor of the Chairmanship over the first meeting held to advance the legal and political equality of woman. It seemed strange to him that one half of the community should be denied the rights which the other half of the community enjoy. He continued by saying that suffrage was not a natural right but an artificial one, arising from circumstances. Woman has more wrongs to remedy and more rights to protect, and yet she cannot vote. He would not say anything against matrimony, but when a woman entered into that state she became "nobody." If she owned property it passed to her husband. He discussed the legal *status* of the wife, and concluded that woman was mentally, politically and legally equal to man. The matter of wages was, however, the greatest evil against which women had to contend. Mr. Whitehead elaborately discussed this point, and said finally that in numbers and in combination was strength, they wanted both sanctioned by the common sense of the people.

A Committee on Resolutions was appointed, consisting of Mrs. Davis, Mr. Quinlan, Miss Lucy Stone, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Powell and Mrs. Brittan. Also, a Committee on Permanent Organization, consisting of Mr. H. B. Blackwell, Mrs. Lizzie Prentiss, Mr. A. J. Davis, (dressed à la Mephistopheles,) Mr. Jeremiah Counselor, Mr. McMurdy and Mrs. Ravenhill.

Mrs. Churchill, of Providence, declaimed in measured footfall an Indian legend, that the humble plant grew better the more it was trampled upon. This was the case with the great moral questions. "But one day we will find the despised mass become a thing of fragrance and of beauty." The opponents of the movement amongst men were divided into two classes: Those who ask what will women gain by the ballot, and those who sneringly say "Don't you wish you may get it?" After demolishing the first of these, referring to Russell's work and claiming the franchise as a means of personal growth, Mrs. Churchill said that Jonah merged his individuality into the whale. American men were finding the women nearly as indigestible as the whale did Jonah. "Men better look out for 'a baptism of fire,' if they did not soon do justice to their wives and mothers."

Mrs. A. J. Davis, from the Committee on Resolutions, reported a series of resolutions to the effect that woman should vote because as a refined intelligent moral power she may help to counteract evil; the proposition of Congressman Julian of a sixteenth amendment she heartily commended; equal compensation was demanded for men and women, and finally "for the purposes of protection, affiliation and citizenship the Essex County Association is auxiliary to the State and to the American National Woman's Suffrage Association."

Mrs. C. B. Wilbour read an elaborate essay on "everything." "God and Justice would fight for women if man would not." They claimed the suffrage as a right, as a duty, and as a necessity to the nation. The ballot was a natural right. Mr. Whitehead was carried out side fainting.] In typical station style Mrs. Wilbour declared that "Man was theoretically strong—a little Almighty in boots." Mrs. Wilbour denounced men in the strongest terms, and in so shrewd a woman as some one in a shrewd man.

Lucy Stone, looking as mild and pleasant as could be, thought woman's suffrage meetings were pleasant things. She detailed her work for the past week, and thought the cause was advancing step by step. But "women in New-Jersey did not own even their own babies." The right to the ballot was given them by God, but man had taken that away from them. Now, she was for the ballot.

The Committee on Resolutions and Organization reported the following list of permanent officers, and a constitution for the Essex County Suffrage Association:

President—Mrs. Mary F. Davis, Vice-President—E. B. Dodge, T. B. Petty, Judge Williams, Mr. Blackwell and twelve others. Recording Secretary—Miss Sarah Lockwood. Corresponding Secretary—P. E. Lord. Treasurer—E. T. Usher. Executive Committee—Lucy Stone, Mr. Whitehead and ten others.

Mrs. Celia Burleigh then read her speech from manuscript. Her text was that the best rights of every woman was to be a woman. "To be a woman," she thought, "was to be all that the unfettered soul, free from prejudice could accomplish under favoring conditions with the largest culture and without compulsion or hindering prejudice. She must be free to make her life the expression of her nature. The power to which she should give allegiance was the common Mother of man and woman. Tyrannic prejudice crushed the individual nature; authority does violence to it. Implicit obedience is the implicit surrender of an individual, and, adopted as a rule of life, makes moral nonentities; its subjects, moral tyrants. On a devoted friendship exist between husband and his legal bondsmen? If you attempt to build God's temple without separate blocks of marble and clay, they must be homogeneous or the whole structure will crumble into ruins.

At the close of Mrs. Burleigh's paper the meeting adjourned.

WAR IN BROOKLYN.

A Raid Among the Cock Fighters—Mr. Burch Again Victorious—Two Cocks and Fifteen Prisoners Secured—Merriment Among Sporting Men.

It has been some weeks since the residents of Brooklyn have been regaled with a first-class night sensation, but last evening a scene was enacted which reflects the highest credit upon all concerned, as a nest of thieves and blackleg, long the terror of honest citizens residing in the vicinity of Nassau street and the Navy Yard, has been broken up, and it is to be hoped untiring, as the blow struck has been of such a disastrous character, that the nuisance of the sporting fraternity dispersed will dare to make their inhuman pastime in the same locality for months to come.

A raid upon the cock fighters was made at 11 o'clock by a placard of Brooklyn Police, under the leadership of Burch, of the most expert detectives of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals, and the arrest of a young army of some fifteen desperadoes was the gratifying result. This gang of ruffians, after considerable resistance on their part, were securely secured to the Forty-second Precinct Station House, and locked up in the cells; and will be placed on trial before Justice Walsh at 10 o'clock this morning, when it is to be hoped that justice will be dealt to them according to their crimes.

Since the active efforts of Mr. Burch's detectives have resulted so satisfactorily, during the past few weeks, the vicinity of the dog and cock fighters have been unusually timorous, as their every movement has been closely observed by Argus-eyed detectives in the employ of this Society. Their pits in Madison and Cherry streets have been deserted, and their haunts, which, only a few months ago, became of the lowest exhibitions of human depravity, are now closed, and the proprietors have sought other fields in which to renew their disgusting and demoralizing sport. Brooklyn, Williamsburg and Hoboken are now nightly visited by crowds of the worst specimens of society that can be found in this country, and, although the Police of these cities are aware of their presence, through criminal negligence they have permitted these men to open cock pits and dog pits beneath their noses, and have never interfered except when compelled to by the exhibition of authority by Mr. Burch's officers.

ON THE ROUTE TO THE BATTLE FIELD.

At 5 o'clock P. M. word was received at headquarters that there was "to be a main in Brooklyn," and in company with Detectives Hudson and Edwards, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, a Times reporter wended his way to the scene of the expected conflict. Arriving in the vicinity of the porter house in which the match was to take place, which is kept by the notorious "Pat" Brennan, at No. 7 Nassau-street, we found Philip Van Heyzen, Deputy Sheriff Kings County, aged 26; Thomas Burke, peddler, aged 36; James McNulty, clerk aged 23; Daniel Cassidy, laborer, aged 40; Joseph N. Rhodes, liquor dealer, aged 56; Jas. M. McNulty, blacksmith, aged 40; Thomas J. Burke, speculator, aged 27; James Murray, porter, aged 30; Wm. Mitchell, morocco shavings, aged 21; Michael Hanley, barber, aged 24; Patrick Brennan, keeper of the pit; Peter Haber, no occupation, aged 21 years.

Death from Poison—A Careless Drug Clerk.

Mrs. Mould, residing upon Tonnele-avenue, Hudson City, died yesterday at her residence from the effect of poison. She had sent to a drug store near by for medicine. The clerk returned inadvertently a poisonous mixture instead of the preparation which had been sent for. After having taken it, Mrs. Mould lingered in great agony for a few hours, when she died. Coroner Burns, who was notified, ordered a post-mortem examination of the deceased's remains to be made. Efforts are being made to arrest the clerk, whose carelessness was the cause of the sad affair.

NEW-YORK WEEKLY TIMES.

THE NEW-YORK WEEKLY TIMES will be published THIS MORNING, and may be had at the counter of the publication office, in wrappers ready for mailing. Price FIVE CENTS.

Among other features of interest are presented the following:

Foreign Intelligence.

Reported Agrarian Outrages in Ireland; The Case of Mr. Temple Agnew; Great Billiard Match; The Champion Defeated; Extreme Cold Weather; The French Conspiracy Against the Life of the Emperor; Potatoes of Fowlville; Bondsmen's Lament Effect; The Carlist Rising in Spain; Speech of Minister on Closing the Prussian Diet; Dethronement of the King of Bavaria; The Suez Canal; Return of General Gravalho to Puerto Principe; San Miguel Occupied by the Spaniards; Revolutionary Letter of Don Enrique de Ibarrieta to the Regent; The London Times on the Canadian Debate; The Duke of Montpensier in Madrid; A Russian Demand on Switzerland; Opposition to the Pope.

Political Affairs.

Summary of Proceedings of Congress and the State Legislatures; The Bankrupt School Fund; How a Democrat would Reform our City Government.

Current Topics.

The Death of Centurion at Key West—His Funeral in Havana; The Assassination of Mr. Greenwaldyh; The Snow Storm in Nebraska—A Band of Indians Frozen to Death; The Case of Dr. Gallagher; Fire at Huntington, Mass.; Horrible Murder by Negroes in Virginia; Shooting the Sheriff; Tragedy in a Church; The Indian Troubles on the Plains; A New Polygamy; Land Robbery in Delaware; A Clergyman of the Camp Meeting; A Strange Compliment; A Very Strange Scene

THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS

Progress of the Work at Manhattan-Square—The Central Park Collection of Wild Animals.

The work on the grounds at Manhattan-square, on which are to be located the Zoological Gardens, is being vigorously prosecuted by the Commissioners, both because public expectation looks for development in this direction, and because of the much-needed accommodations for the rapidly-growing collection of animals that are now insufficiently and unsatisfactorily quartered in and about the old Arsenal building. One of the chief occasions of delay in this work was the want of a proper outlet for the drainage of the ground and the regulation of the streets and avenues about it. The avenues and streets surrounding these grounds, not under the charge of the Commissioners of the Park, are in such condition as to render approach to them almost impossible. With these difficulties to contend with, and over which they have no control, they have done considerable work. Nearly two-thirds of the foundation wall is in on the west line of the square complete. The preparatory excavation for the habitations of the large group of northern carnivora represented by the genus ursus, or the bears, with their allied genera, has been made at the northwest angle of the Zoological grounds. At this point have also been commenced the accommodations for the polar bears, walrus, seals, sea lions, &c., specimens of cetaceous, and also for the aquatic rodents, such as ypatus, beaver, &c. Every arrangement will be made that will contribute to the healthfulness of the animals, and to the facility and convenience for seeing them.

Some progress has also been made in the preparation of designs and models for the houses for tropical carnivora. It is the intention that each class of animals, in the order of its relative importance, shall be located and properly housed as fast as provided for.

The area comprised within this square is over eighteen acres, and will afford fine opportunity for accommodation for the proper arrangement of a zoological garden. It is a work of no small degree of importance, a knowledge of the manner and habits of each animal being requisite, that it may be properly located. The animals at the Park generally at this time are not sufficiently housed until the permanent houses of the Gardens are complete.

The collection is already quite extensive, and altogether the most interesting one on this continent, and equals, both in numbers and in manner of exhibition, some of those of Europe. Animals in the Park variety are added to the Park collection by public-spirited citizens from all parts of the country, and even in their limited quarters these specimens afford great amusement to very large numbers of visitors.

Many of the contributions to the Park collection are from the officers of the army and navy and from the consular agents of the country in foreign parts. An estimate of the interest derived from this collection can only be arrived at by a visit to the Park. Among the most interesting animals now on exhibition at the Park may be mentioned the three elephants, five lions and three lionesses, a fine specimen of the American panther captured on the Upper Rio Grande by Brevet Brigadier-General R. B. MCLAUGHLIN, United States Army; a beautiful specimen of the Angola leopard from the west coast of Africa, two grizzly bears from the Rocky Mountains, two cinnamon bears (playful little fellows), a distinctive type from Major-Gen. W. S. HANCOCK, United States Army; a sun bear from Singapore, three beautiful specimens of the zebra, or sacred cow, of India; two pair of fine ostriches, a spotted axis deer from India, a Kerry bull and cow direct from the Lakes of Killarney, Ireland, a fine bull and several cows of a diminutive breed from the island of Flores, in the Azores; two rasse cats from the island of Java, the sooty pass and white-lipped peccary, the native black bears, wolves, foxes, two beautiful Angora goats, a fine specimen of the fat-tailed sheep from Syria, a "dead sea" a playful fellow, a pair of black swans from London, courtesy of Charles M. Ransom, Esq. The collection of eagles is supposed to be not only the largest but the finest collection in the world.

The old Arsenal building, where the animals are temporarily located, is visited by thousands of people. The interest evinced in this collection increases rapidly, the building being constantly thronged with visitors. The number of persons entering the Park at the entrance at Sixty-fourth-street, Fifth-avenue, leading direct to the Arsenal building, during the past year, was nearly 300,000.

The work on the Zoological Gardens is being pushed forward as rapidly as possible, and the Commissioners of the Park hope during the present year to have it in a state of great forwardness.

POLICE MATTERS

The Raid of Concert Saloon Keepers on the Police.

Commissioners MANIERRE and BERNMAN met yesterday to investigate complaints against Policemen. The case occupying the greater portion of the session was that of JAMES S. DYER, of the Tenth Precinct, charged with blackmailing FREDERICK BYER, of No. 67½ Bowery, keeper of one of the concert saloons that are the prevailing nuisance of that part of that thoroughfare. BYER swore roundly enough that he had paid DYER money on several occasions, and brought others of like character and pursuits to swear that they had done the same. But from their own testimony it appeared that their money was thrown away, for DYER promptly arrested all of them at every opportunity, and made every effort to convict them. From DYER's statement it appears that he has been a policeman for nine years, and has been for six years in the Tenth Precinct, and he denied ever having received a dollar from any of them. Captain DAVIS gave him the highest character as an officer, and said that he had placed him on the Bowery with special instructions to break up the infamous dens that are the pests of the neighborhood, and he believed that the officer had faithfully obeyed his orders. Captain DAVIS also testified that the place of BYER was one of the very worst in the Precinct, and in connection with a disreputable house at No. 29 Bayard-street, kept by the same man, was the scandalous place of complaints had been made to him by citizens in the neighborhood, and he had exerted all his authority to break them up, but had failed. CHARLES S. SPENCER appearing for BYER, and JOHN D. TOWNSEND for DYER, there was a searching cross-examination of witnesses on both sides, which occupied a great deal of time. It was not denied that the places kept by BYER and Mrs. SCHNEIDER, the other complainant, were of vile resort, but it was claimed that for that very reason policemen were of opinion that these houses could be safely blackmailed. No explanation was, however, attempted of the marvelous fact that these people continued to pay this officer money not to arrest them and he continued to arrest them on every possible occasion. They admitted the arrest, claiming that they were always innocent of any offence, and pointed triumphantly to the fact that they had never been convicted of any of the numerous charges of robbery and disorderly conduct preferred against them by DYER. This Captain DAVIS admitted, but claiming that it was not for want of evidence, acknowledged that he was unable to give any satisfactory reason for their frequent escapes from the penalties of the law which they had so richly deserved. One interesting fact elicited during the examination was that HERMAN BOLTE, liquor dealer, at No. 281 Broadway, who supplied these people with liquor, invariably went bail for BYER when arrested, and appeared on the witness stand in his behalf, but as he only knew what BYER had told him, his services did not materially benefit his customer.

After the conclusion of the examination of the witnesses present, the further hearing of the case was adjourned until Monday next.

Meeting of Fruit-Jar Manufacturers and Dealers.

A meeting of manufacturers, patentees and jobbers of fruit jars was held yesterday at the Astor House, EDWARD PATANI, of the firm of WHITALL, PATANI & CO., of New-York, presiding, and S. R. PINCKNEY, of the Mason Manufacturing Company of New-York, acting as Secretary. The object of the meeting was the better protection of the trade. There was a large attendance from various parts of the Union of representatives of the trade. A committee from the manufacturers consisted of the following gentlemen: Messrs. LYMAN, of Connecticut; SHUMAKER, of Rochester; MOORE, of New-Jersey; SAMUEL, of Philadelphia, and BOYD, of New-York City. This committee was assisted by the following committee of jobbers: BOOTH, of Elmira; ALMY, of New-York; SAYIN, of Chicago; WISNER, of Rochester, and HALLIE, of Pennsylvania.

The Committee reported the following:

Resolved, That the manufacturers and patentees here present be appointed a committee, with power to add to their number such other manufacturers and patentees as may desire to cooperate with them in take into consideration matters affecting alike the manufacturers and jobbers in trade jars, and that we recommend to the jobbing interest the formation of a like committee from among their number, and committee to report at 4 p.m. Adjourned meeting of this body to be held next week.

The Alleged Claqueur' Frauds.

Examinations were held yesterday in the cases of LEWIS F. WEIMORE and E. W. FARRINGTON, ex-gaugers, who are charged with making false returns on a large quantity of whisky at the time of its removal from bond. According to a clerk named JOHN S. GRIGGS, letters frequently passed between Mr. COOK, of the firm of GORDON, FELLOWS & McMILLAN, and the defendant. The alleged false returns were shown to witness, but he would not swear positively that they were signed by WEIMORE. They were admitted as prima facie evidence, however, with the burden on the part of the defendants to improve the signature.

Several witnesses gave testimony in the case of FARRINGTON. One of the number gave sufficient evidence to show that the signatures to the returns were in the handwriting of the accused.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

There was a very fair attendance on the sales of real estate at the Exchange yesterday, considering the amount of property announced for sale. Three lots of property were sold by MULLER, WILKINS & CO., and ten by BLEECKER & CO. The former firm sold first the house and lot, No. 220 Wooster-street, between Bleecker and Amity streets. The lot is 25 feet by 50, and the house a small brick structure, two stories high. The price obtained was $11,500. They then offered the premises No. 20 Amity-street, between Greene and Wooster streets, containing of about 22 feet by 58, with a three-story brick house upon it, which brought $17,000. Property in this vicinity commands a high price, in view of its prospective values for business purposes, but the prices obtained yesterday were considerably lower than those paid a year ago for similar property. No. 114 West Twenty-ninth-street, a three-story brick house on a lot 20 feet by 98.9, brought $14,100. The property to be sold by Mr. BLEECKER consisted of a house and lot situated on the north side of Fifteenth-street, near First-avenue. The house is a three-story brown-stone front, with modern improvements, and the premises sold for $14,800.

To-day Mr. MULLER, WILKINS & CO. will sell four lots on the northeast corner of Eleventh-avenue and Eighty-seventh-street. This, it will be remembered, is on the Grand Boulevard.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

NEW-YORK.

By A. H. Muller, P. E. Wilkins & Co.

H. and l. w. s. Wooster-st., 50 ft. n. of Amity, 25x80 ..... $11,500
H. and l. e. s. Bleecker-st., 100 ft. n. of Amity, 22x50 14,100

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co.

H. and l. n. s. 80th-st., 20 ft. e. of 1st-av., 19x100 ..... $14,800

Tenement of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Columbia-street, w. s., 40 ft. n. of Rivington-st., 25x84 ..... $22,500
Jane-st., n. s., No. 27, 18x52 4,700
Spillway-st., e. s., 325 ft. s. of Prince-st., 75x25.9x irregular 2,300
Sackett-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 1st-av., 127.4x29x irregular 11,250
Grand-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 1st-av., 25x100 17,000
Hester-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Sixth-av., 25x100 12,000
27th-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x98.9, 2 lots 9,000
27th-st., s. s., 300 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x98.9, August, 1869 1,300
Bleecker-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 6th-av., 25x92 2,750
40th-st., s. s., 300 ft. w. of 9th-av., 25x98.9 2,250
21st-st., n. s., 324.3 ft. w. of 9th-av., 18.8x100, 2 lots and l. 30,600
Lexington-av., w. s., 99.8 ft. n. of 63d-st., 19x92.3 x22.1, irregular 1,000
Lexington-av., 99.8 ft. w. of 63d-st., 19x92.3, and l. of (rear) 46.10x92x 1,600
2d-av., e. s., 64.5 ft. s. of 77th-st., 19.10x65, h. and l. 21,000
2d-av., e. s., 64.5 ft. s. of 77th-st., 19.10x65, h. and l. 21,000
2d-av., e. s., 38.5 ft. s. of 77th-st., 19.10x65, h. and l. 21,000
2d-av. and 90th-st., n. e. corner, 48x100 11,750
10th-av., and 35th-st., n. w. corner, 24.8x100, house and lot 28,750
10th-av., e. s., 24.8 ft. n. of 35th-st., 24x100 17,000
37th-st., n. s., lot No. 207 Harlem Commons, 25.8x100 2,100

Lease Recorded.

Centre-st., Nos. 170 and 172, 64 years, per year $9,000
Desbrosses-st., n. s., 100 feet e. of Washington-st., 21 years 770
Hammersley-st., n. s., between Varick and Bedford-sts., 77.9x115.8, 23 years, per year 1,300
Wooster-st., No. 128, 24 years, per year 1,700
20th-st., n. s., 400 ft. e. of 6th-av., block block, 6 years, per year 2,000
2d-av., No. 52, store, cellar, back room, 3 years, per year 1,000
8th-av., No. 94, 5 years, per year 3,000

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Adelphi-st., w. s., 100 ft. s. of Lafayette-av., 20.11x100 ..... $17,000
Amity-st., n. w. s., 100 ft. n. s. of Clinton-st., 25x100 10,000
Clay-st., e. s., 100 ft. w. of Union-av., 20x100 1,100
Commercial-st., e. s., 50.8 ft. s. w. of Bergen-st., 25.5x38.11x76.10x30, h. and l. 3,000
Court-st., e. s., 115.3 ft. s. of Mill-st., 37.8x100 10,000
Hicks-st., e. s., 50 ft. s. w. of Cranberry-st., 22x100 900
Hopkinson-st., e. s., 100 ft. n. of Hosterman-st., 25x100 1,000
Lexington-av., n. s., 100 ft. e. of Rockwell-st., 25x100 800
Magnolia-st., e. s., 325 ft. e. w. of Central-av., 25x100 700
Marcy-st., e. s., 425 ft. n. of Lexington-av., 25x100 800
Pacific-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of Franklin-av., 20x100 1,000
Pacific-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of Franklin-av., 20x100 1,000
St. Felix-st., e. s., 325 ft. n. of Lafayette-av., 25.5x70 3,000
12th-st., w. s., 200 ft. s. of 3d-av., 50x100 2,000
16th-st., and 6th-av., n. w. corner, 100x100, 2 lots 2,000
40th-st., e. s., 175 ft. s. of 3d-av., 25x100 1,000
2d-st., e. s., 300 ft. s. of 5th-av., 25x100, h. and l. 4,000
46th-st., w. s., 100 ft. n. w. of 3d-av., 50x100.2 700
Atlantic-av., n. s., 25 ft. w. of Vanderbilt-av., 25x100 2,000
104.6 (B. and S.) 1,000
Fulton-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Hopkins-st., 25x100 900
Stewart, e. s., 100.8 ft. s. w. of Greene-av., 100.8x100 800

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Williamsburg and Jamaica road, n. s. of Bridge Company's causeway, adjoining Johnson Chase, 3 acres 2,000
Flatbush, adjoining and now or late of Kings County, 2 acres 2,000
Flatbush, unnamed road, adjoining Jeremiah Lott, or more, or less, 10.17x6.9, (See Park extension,) q. s. 4,037

QUEENS COUNTY.

Rockville Centre, 4 acre, Jamaica and Merrick Plank road, adjoining Hendrickson's ..... —

Rockville.

10 acres, Rocky farm $6,400

Astoria.

Carver-st., s. s., 82 ft. from s. e. corner of Flushing-av. and Carver-st., 25x100 ..... $300
Hiett-st., e. s., lot No. 24, Hiles property, 50x200 1,000
Lot No. 60, Tiraut property, s. s. Frankfort-av., 25x100 ..... $275

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Cortlandt.

Church-st., e. s., 100 feet from Yorktown road, 50x100 ..... $400

Southeastern.

White Plains road, e. s., adjoining Chas. Morgan's, 12½ acres $10,000

Greenburg.

Wilday-st., n. s., 50 ft. w. of New-st., 25x75 ..... $700
Park-av., e. s., adjoining J. N. Purdy's, 125x125 6,500

Mamaroneck.

Weaver-st., e. s., adjoining W. H. Cornell's, 3 acres $17,700
Road from turnpike to Weaver-st., n. s., adjoining Nat. Hughes', 60 & 40 acres ..... }

New-Rochelle.

Lots Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5, north of Geo. R. Jackson's property $8,000

Pelham.

1st-av., e. s., lot 84, map of Pelhamville, 100x100 ..... $300
1st-av., e. s., lot 8, map of Pelhamville, 100x100 200

White Plains.

Grantar, and Chatter-st., e. s. corner, lots Nos. 38, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, map of O. A. Page's property $1,800
Grant-av., e. s., lots Nos. 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49 6,150

NEW-JERSEY.

Newark.

Orangeat., e. s., 125 ft. n. of 6th-st., 25x100 ..... $2,000
Ferry-st., 50 ft. n. e. of Mill-st., 25x100 1,000
Spruce-st., n. s., 50 ft. w. of Broome-st., 50x100 1,100
Ferry-st., e. s., 50 ft. n. of Hickory-st., 25x124x irreg. 2,000
Vine-st., e. s., 75 ft. s. of Kinney-st., 25x98.5 1,000

Belleville.

Stephenson-st., w. s., 40 ft. n. from J. Spearsman's 25x100 ..... $800

East Orange.

Stratton-st., e. s., 240 ft. s. of Sussex-av., 25x100 ..... $2,000

South Orange.

John Augustin to S. E. Headley, 2 40-100 acres $200

CITY REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—AT A REDUCED PRICE, THE A No. 1 Purchasers' close trust house, No. 203 Madison-st., adjoining the corner of 14th-st. Rents for $1,100 per annum. Apply at the premises. Also, No. 49 East 60th-st., 42 feet east of 3d-av., four-story brown-stone, same; lot 102.5 feet; now will immediately vacant. Inquire of the owner, JOHN C. BARRES, 205 East Madison-av.

FOR SALE—ON A CORNER OF STUYVESANT-square, a valuable and elegant dwelling, adjoining to one of our distinguished citizens, now absent from the City; the property having a large area and ground is well adapted for a family residence, or for some public building, or a hotel. E. H. LELLOW & CO., No. 9 Pine-st.

CAPITALISTS, INVESTORS AND Call interested in real estate will do well to send to JOHNSON & MILLER'S office, No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York, for notice of their above Prospect Park lots, to be sold at auction Feb. 22. The property is the choicest in Brooklyn.

FOR SALE — THE TWO HOUSES AND lot, southeast corner of Broome and Elm sts.; lot 25 x 112.11 feet, nearly equal to one lot and a quarter. This is one the corners of any street and many thirty feet above either Canal and probably a good show from Broadway.

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[illegible] $2,700
[illegible] 2,500
[illegible] 1,600
[illegible] 1,750
[illegible] 2,500
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Also, houses on 5th, Madison and Lexington avs.

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Earnings from miscellaneous sources	7,859 68
Total	$2,051,790 35
Total expenses	1,290,180 68
Net earnings	$761,609 67

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The West India Steamer Yorktown, commanded by Capt. BIERVILLE, J. B. BAKER, commander, will leave Pier No. 36 North River, on SATURDAY, Feb. 16, at 3 P. M., for the above port, at through rates for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston, on through rates for St. Louis.
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NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.
Persons so purchasing tickets to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a second-class ticket, will find it to their interest to secure their tickets at the office of the Company, where they will be provided with every information and courtesy, free of charge, such as routes, time, expenses, examination and conveniences of baggage, in addition to being furnished with a guide-book, containing a complete map of the Continent, and an index of hotels and lodgings, with the prices of accommodations to which they are exposed in various parts of Europe, and a vocabulary of the principal languages, and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 2 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

RAILROADS.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.
Trains leave 30th-st. as follows:
6:00 A. M. Cincinnati and Chicago express, drawing-room cars attached.
10:30 A. M. Day express, drawing-room cars attached.
4:00 P. M. Montreal express, drawing-room cars attached.
6:30 P. M. Pacific express, with sleeping cars through to Chicago without change, via L. S. & M. S. Railroad, also L. S. and M. S. Railroad, (daily.)
11:00 P. M. Night express, sleeping cars attached.
7:00 A. M., 3:30 and 6 P. M. Poughkeepsie trains.
9:30 A. M., 4:15 and 6:45 P. M. Peekskill trains.
1:00 and 6:40 P. M. Sing Sing trains.
8:00, 9:30, 9:40 A. M., 12 M., 2, 3:30, 5 and 11:30 P. M. Yonkers trains.
(9:00 A. M. to Poughkeepsie Sundays.)
NOV. 15, 1877. J. H. TOUGHY, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE (Chelsea) at foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st., as follows:
Through Express trains leave Chambers-st. at 8 A. M., 12 M. and 6:30 P. M. (daily) leaving 23d-st. 5 minutes later. Accommodation, 7:30 A. M. (daily.) New and improved Drawing-room Coaches will accompany the 8 A. M. train through to Buffalo, connecting at Hornellsville with magnificent Sleeping Coaches through to Cleveland and Dalton. Sleeping Coaches will accompany the 12 M. train from Susquehanna to Buffalo, and the 6:30 P. M. train to Rochester, Buffalo and Cincinnati. An Emigrant train leaves daily at 4:15 P. M. Orange County Way, 6:30 P. M. (Sundays excepted), connecting for Warwick, Montgomery, Goshen, Pine Island and Unionville.
For Middletown and Way, at 3:30 P. M., (Sundays, 9:15 P. M.)
For Otisville and Way at 3:30 A. M. daily, (Sundays, 9:15 A. M.)
For Newburg and Way at 10 A. M., 1:30 and 4:30 P. M. (Sundays, 9:45 A. M., 3:15 and 4:15 P. M.)
For Suffern and Way, 4 P. M. and 6 P. M. (Sundays, 9:45 and 6:45 P. M.) Theatre train, 11:30 P. M., (Sundays, 11 P. M.)
For Paterson and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 6:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 2:15 P. M. (daily,) 3:45 P. M., 4:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 7 A. M., 9 A. M., 11 A. M., 1 P. M., 3 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:30 P. M., 6 P. M. and 8 P. M. (Sundays, 9 A. M., 1 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 6 P. M. and 8 P. M.)
For Piermont, Nyack and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 6:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 2:15 P. M., 4:15 P. M., 5:30 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. (Sundays, 9:45 A. M., 4:30 P. M. and 8 P. M.) From Chambers-st. Depot, at 7 A. M., 9 A. M., 11 A. M., 1 P. M., 3 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 5:30 P. M., 6 P. M. and 8 P. M. (Sundays, 9 A. M., 1 P. M., 4:30 P. M., 6 P. M. and 8 P. M.)
For Newburgh, Cornwall and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 3:30 P. M. and 4:15 P. M. (Sundays, 9:45 A. M. and 4:15 P. M.)
For Port Jervis and Way, 4:15 P. M., (Sundays, 4:15 P. M.)
* To Piermont only.
L. D. BUCKER, Gen'l Sup't. WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass'r Ag't.

SOUTH SIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—Winter Arrangement.—On and after Oct. 28 the trains will leave the Roosevelt and Grand Street ferries for Babylon, 7:45 A. M., mail and Sag Harbor express; 10 A. M., for Montauk; 3:30 P. M., express to Patchogue; 4:30 P. M., accommodation for Islip, on Saturday through to Patchogue; 6:30 P. M., express to Patchogue; 8:30 P. M., accommodation for Islip, on Saturday through to Patchogue. All trains connect at Valley Stream, except the Montauk train and early train.
O. W. DOUGLAS, Superintendent.

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The splendid steamers
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FOR BRIDGEPORT, AND ALL points on Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroads.—Fare $1. Steamers leave Catherine-slip at 12 noon.

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AUCTION SALES.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.
COLUMBIA, Jan. 22, 1878.
THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BEEN appointed receiver of the Laurens Railroad Company, in the said State, and having duly qualified for said office, Notice is hereby given that pursuant to orders heretofore passed in the Court of Common Pleas for Laurens County, in the said State, I will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, the property of the said Laurens Railroad Company described as follows: The Railroad of the said Company, running from Newberry Village to Laurensville, including the road bed, rails, iron, of every and kind belonging or appertaining to the said Company, together with the several superstructures and tracks thereon and all rails and other materials used on the same, and all and singular the personal property, including locomotives, cars, depot grounds and buildings thereon, river bridge, water, tanks, engine, tenders, cars, tools, materials and machinery, equipments and appurtenances of every kind, and all other property belonging to the said Company and all other property hereunto appertaining, appertaining to or in any manner connected with, or forming a part of, the said Laurens Railroad Company, and all franchises, rights and privileges of the said Laurens Railroad Company of, in, to or concerning the same. And upon such sale all equity of redemption in the said premises shall be forever barred and absolutely foreclosed. The said sale will be made on the 25th day of March in the City of Columbia, South Carolina, at 12 o'clock M., on the 26th day of March, in the second year, on the following terms, that is to say, $1,000 cash, and the residue in six per cent. bonds of the State of South Carolina, at par, or in private bonds, payable in one, two and three years, bearing interest of the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, with approved personal security and mortgage of the premises.
GEORGE W. WATERMAN,
Receiver Laurens Railroad Company.
EDWARD M. BROWN, Auctioneer.

BY T. E. MINTURN, BROWN & CO., THIS DAY, (THURSDAY), FEB. 17, At 12 o'clock, at Pier No. 51, North River:
5,153 boxes fresh Messina Oranges,
4,697 boxes fresh Palermo Oranges,
250 boxes fresh Naples Oranges,
4,200 boxes fresh Messina Lemons.
Cargo of steamship Sylmenia.
EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.

UNITED STATES NAVY YARD AUCTION sale.
By order of Rear-Admiral S. W. Godon, of
CONDEMNED STORES, &c.,
By EDWARD SCHENCK, on SATURDAY next, 16th inst., at 12 o'clock M., at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, a large quantity of hemp and Manila rope, chain cables, anchors, boats, blocks, shackings, coal dust, &c. For particulars see catalogues.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF BOOKS.—A Clinton Hall Book Sale Rooms and Art Galleries—LEAVITT, STREETER & CO., Auctioneers—THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING, at 7 o'clock, sale of the balance of the stock of the late firm of Bailliere Bros., comprising Medical and Scientific Works, singly and in quantities, also a large Iron Safe, manufactured by R. G. Wilder, Letter Press, &c. Books on exhibition during the day.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

WILL BE SOLD AT THE EX-Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on THURSDAY, FEB. 21, at 12 o'clock noon, on that day, by ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer, one hundred first mortgage bonds of the Savannah and Charleston Railroad Company, of $500 each, No. 201 to No. 300, inclusive.
JOHN H. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers.

THIS WELL-KNOWN, LACKAWANNA and Western Railroad Company will sell
50,000 TONS SCRANTON COAL,
at public auction, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20, at 12 o'clock noon, at No. 143 Chambers-st.
SAMUEL SLOAN, President.
JOSEPH HERMAN & CO., Auctioneers.

FRIDAY, FEB. 22, AT 10 A. M., AT the salesroom, Willoughby corner of Pearl, Brooklyn.—Rosewood dining-room and dining room furniture; also, a quantity of fine walnut marble top chamber suits, bedding, china, china and other carpets, stoves, &c.

REWARDS.

$5,000 REWARD.
The following cable dispatch has been received by the undersigned, who will pay the above reward on the delivery to them of the notes referred to:
"Stolen £10,000 Bank of England notes, including eight of $1,000 each, dated October, 1868; $5,000 reward; payment stopped."
Signed in London.
BARNETTE, HOARES, HANBURYS & CO.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL,
Nos. 56 and 58 South-st.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, somewhere between Stone, Broad, Nassau and Spruce sts., a silver CORPS BADGE, with ribbon attached. Any owner's name, company and regiment engraved thereon. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at the counter, Times Office.

FOUND—IN TRINITY CHAPEL, WEST 25TH-st., a RING, which the owner may have by applying to M. CLARKE, Sexton.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS DRESSmaker and milliner, a situation in a private family; fully competent to do sewing in all the branches; good reference; has been in the business; would prefer to be near Madison-sq. Can be seen for two days, from 11 to 4 o'clock, at No. 1, Madison-sq., corner of 26th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WOMAN, a situation as first-class cook; can give the best of City references. Call at No. 128 West 14th-st., between 6th and 7th-avs.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A MIDDLE-aged woman, as housekeeper, or to take charge of an invalid. City or country; can sew and knit; is an excellent nurse; is a good seamstress; has a sewing machine; no objection to go a little way in the country; is a good cutter and fitter; also first-class laundress; has been with first family; also first-class laundress; has been with first family; also first-class laundress; has been with first family

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

The symptoms in the case of Mr. D. R. EATON, who was assaulted by unknown persons a few nights ago, continued favorable yesterday, and although he was suffering considerable pain and quite weak from the shock to his nervous system, his physicians are of the opinion that no serious results will follow from the injuries received.

The sixth sociable of the season, given by the proprietor of the Park-avenue Hotel, Mr. ROBINSON, came off last evening, and was a really interesting affair. A large number of invitations were extended, which were readily accepted, and Mr. ROBINSON was successful in rendering his guests thoroughly satisfied with the excellent entertainment which he had prepared for them.

JOHN G. MCLANE, night watchman, was brought up at the Essex Market Police Court yesterday, before Judge SCOTT, charged with shooting EMANUEL SHARKEY, No. 96 Clinton-street, as already reported. SHARKEY declined to prosecute the prisoner. Judge SCOTT expressed regret that the action of the prosecutor left him no alternative but to discharge the prisoner, remarking at the same time that the illegal use of the pistol had latterly become of such frequent occurrence that vigorous measures should be adopted for its suppression.

The fourth annual ball of the New-York Firemen's Association took place at Apollo Hall last evening. A large number of delegates of different Fire Departments were present on the occasion, and the festivities were very pleasantly enjoyed. The Association numbers about 300 members, embracing ex-officers and members of the late volunteer companies. The following are the officers: President, Henry Wilson; Vice-President, ex-Councilman William Lent; Second Vice-President, Frederick A. Ridabock; Treasurer, John Armstrong; Secretary, Colonel W. R. M. Chambers.

Mr. J. P. KRECHTING is to deliver his lecture on "German Peasant Life" at the Fortieth-street Presbyterian Church, between Third and Lexington avenues, this evening. It is spoken of as a remarkably able production, which is delivered in a lively, graceful and "telling" way that completely captivates his hearers.

The New-York Association of the Alumni and other former students of Dickinson College, have their first annual reunion and dinner at the Astor House on Friday next, Feb. 18 at 6 o'clock. Tickets may be had upon application to the Secretary, HORATIO C. KING, No. 96 Wall-street.

A highly interesting entertainment, for the benefit of the Five Points House of Industry, was given last evening, in the large chapel of the institution, in Worth-street, by the renowned magician, Signor HARTZ. The room was crowded in every part, and the performance passed off very pleasantly. The children connected with this charity sang several songs with happy effect.

A meeting of stockholders of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company was held yesterday at the office of A. A. Low & Co., in Burling-slip. The object, it is understood, was to consider the expediency of reducing the capital stock of the Company. A large number of arguments was adduced to show the advantages likely to result from the proposed reduction. It is understood that a majority of the stockholders are in favor of the project. A memorial was drawn up for presentation to the Legislature, requesting that body to authorize the reduction. The present capital stock of the Company is about $20,000,000, and the proposed reduction is just one-half.

The semi-annual exercises of the Saint Francis Xavier's Debating Society came off last evening in the large hall of the College, Sixteenth-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues. Upwards of two thousand persons were present, including a number of the most respectable Catholic gentlemen in the City. The exercises comprised a debate on the question, "Was the Papacy, and not the State, the chief cause of the Mohammedan power?" a series of addresses on literary and scientific subjects, and a choice selection of operatic and sacred music. The addresses of the speakers were marked by elegance of gesture, and drew down well-deserved applause. An efficient band, ably seconded by the College choir, under the direction of Professor P. SIMON, was in attendance, and its performance elicited much favorable comment.

The United States District Court for this district will convene for the trial of criminal business on Monday, the 28th inst. It is expected that SAMUEL J. BLATCHFORD, the drawback frauds conspirator, will be arraigned at that term.

Yesterday morning Mr. HENRY KRAMS, of No. 96 Grand-street, was assaulted by Geo W. HOWARD, a well-known pickpocket, who, taking advantage of his victim's preoccupation, in Bayard-street, near the Bowery, stole his pocket-book, containing $34. HOWARD was speedily arrested and the pocketbook recovered, it having been thrown away by the thief. When arraigned before Justice DOWLING, the prisoner was held for trial.

WM. DAVIS was arrested yesterday, and arraigned before Justice DOWLING, on a charge of being implicated in a burglary. The dwelling of ALBERT B. PARKER, of No. 71 John-street, in West Morrisania, was robbed on Nov. 17, and $1,200 worth of property carried off. Subsequently a note signed "Fred" came from the prisoner, who offered to "inform on" the burglars for revenge and recover the money. He made many promises, but finding that he could get no money, abandoned the effort. The Magistrate held DAVIS for trial.

The Eastern Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association held its regular monthly meeting at No. 473 Grand-street, last evening, Mr. ARNOLD in the chair. The meeting was opened by singing, prayer and the reading of the Scriptures, in which Rev. Mr. RHODES and others took part. The reports from the various Committees showed the Association to be in an active and flourishing condition.

The annual reception of Company H, Ninth Infantry, N. G. S. N. Y., (Captain SCHIMMELFING, of Ward's-island,) at Apollo Hall, on the evening of the 26th inst. It promises to be unusually brilliant and successful.

It was publicly announced yesterday that Coroner CORNELIUS FLYNN seeks the position of Chief of Police, under the new system of municipal government. He is now in Albany with the avowed intention to urge his suit.

An escaped convict from Trenton Jail, New-Jersey, named JAMES MILLER, was brought up at the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, before Judge COX, charged with stealing a few articles of wearing apparel from the premises of Mr. HENRY KENDALL, No. 140 Bleecker-street. The clothing was found in his possession. The prisoner was remanded.

At the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, before Judge COX, JOSEPH CORR was charged with setting fire to his premises, No. 314 Fourth-avenue, on Tuesday evening. JEREMIAH F. SULLIVAN, watchman, testified that about 10 o'clock on Tuesday night he observed the prisoner in his store with a lighted match in his hand, with which he set on fire some papers on the floor. He then left, and immediately afterwards the whole place became on fire, causing damage to the amount of several thousand dollars. The prisoner was committed for examination.

LOUIS LEVINSKE, JOSEPH HARRIS and ABRAHAM LEVINE, who were committed, on Tuesday, at the Essex Market Police Court, before Judge SCOTT, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences, were arraigned, yesterday, on three charges of a similar nature, preferred against them by JACOB SMITH, JULIA MOORE and FREDERICK BEYER. The prisoners, who are known to the officers as professional sharpers, are charged with having induced the parties to advance them money on forged notes purporting to be signed by their friends, and thus swindled various persons out of considerable sums of money. They were recommitted for trial.

A host of Democratic friends of Messrs. JOS. F. and THOS. O'DONOHUE accompanied these gentlemen down the bay yesterday, on board the steamer *Fletcher*, on their way to Europe in the Cunard steamship *Java*. Grafulla's Band discoursed patriotic and farewell airs appropriate to the occasion, and a bounteous supply of the good things of life was furnished by the Committee of Arrangements.

The German singing society, "Saengerbund," Mr. FRED. STEINACKER, President, and Mr. CHARLES ESSER, musical director, held their annual masquerade at the Germania Assembly Rooms last night. The ball was well attended and passed off quite pleasantly. The amusement was enlivened by a comic song sung by the Society.

On Tuesday afternoon, in Westchester County, a wild-looking fellow named JOHN NEVINS, half crazed with drink and jealousy, threatened to shoot KATE GAFFNEY, a young girl to whom he had been paying attention for some time past, but who seems to have grown cold towards him of late. The girl screamed when she saw the pistol, and several persons came to her assistance. NEVINS ran off in the direction of New-York and was followed by KATE, who caused his arrest on the charge of attempting to shoot her. NEVINS was brought before Justice MCQUADE, at Harlem, yesterday, and sent back to Westchester County for trial.

Quite a number interested in sericulture visited Mr. WARREN at the St. Denis yesterday. Mr. WARREN's collections of cocoons numbers some eighty species from Turkey, Sweden, Italy, Russia, Australia, Algeria, Mt. Lebanon, France, England and Japan. Also fine specimens of the raw and waste silk. Some of the species are very curious.

BROOKLYN.

At a meeting of the property owners in the Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards, on Tuesday night, after a long discussion on the subject of constructing a main sewer to drain the ponds in the wards named, it was resolved, on motion of Mr. T. W. FIELD, that the Common Council be memorialized to pass an enactment authorizing a further appropriation, in addition to the loan, too already authorized, to construct the sewer. The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the Chair.

F. W. TOMPKINS, who was employed as Assistant Assessor in the Second District, was arrested and taken before United States Commissioner JONES, yesterday, charged with collecting money under false pretences. It is alleged that TOMPKINS went to the house of FERDINAND HAURSUTHER, Chief of Harrison-street and Franklin-avenue, and desired to collect the Internal Revenue tax up to May next. He was held to await examination.

FRANCIS P. MILLS, who some time ago made a murderous assault upon his wife CATHARINE, was brought up in the Court of Sessions yesterday for trial. He was convicted and sentenced to the Penitentiary for four years eleven months and twenty-nine days. The prisoner was formerly tried for the murder of his first wife, and served a part of a term in the State Prison for the offence.

An indignation meeting is to be held at Prospect Hall this evening to oppose the issue of $2,000,000 Park bonds in addition to the $7,500,000 already expended by the Commissioners, and to consider other matters pertaining to the Park Commission. Hon. W. W. GOODRICH, Hon. EDMUND DRIGGS, and Hon. J. W. HUNTER will deliver addresses.

Professor D. G. EATON will lecture before the Young Men's Christian Association this evening. Subject—"The physical condition of the planets."

The following is a statement of the collections of internal revenue in the Second District for the past year: On tobacco, class thirty-two cents, $1,287,422 12; on tobacco, class sixteen cents, $97,000 42; cigar stamps, $97,033 61; brewers' stamps, $184,269 16; rectifier's stamps, $8,325; collections on incomes, special taxes, monthly and quarterly returns, $731,827 92; total, $2,407,868 77.

ANSON L. BOSTWICK, a youth of respectable and intelligent appearance, was arraigned in the Court of Sessions yesterday, on a charge of forgery on the City Bank. He pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary for one year.

JAMES MORGAN was taken before Judge TROY, in the Court of Sessions yesterday, on a charge of grand larceny, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary for four years, eleven months and twenty-nine days.

JOHN SULLIVAN was arrested by Sergeant ROGERS, of the Central Squad, last evening, having in his possession a chest of tea which he and two other persons had stolen from a store, corner of Fulton and Clinton avenues. The two persons alluded to escaped.

MATTHEW DOYLE, a youth of 17 years, but an early-developed burglar, pleaded guilty to burglary, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary for four years by Judge TROY yesterday.

The sensation about the baby which was found buried on the Bergen farm last week, is reduced to a very small matter after all, by Mr. BERGEN's stating that he had given Mr. MAHER, the father of the child, which was still-born, permission to bury its remains in the "old family cemetery."

There will be a centenary meeting of the Universalist Churches of Brooklyn at the chapel of the Polytechnic Institute, Livingston-street, near Court, this evening. Rev. E. H. CHAPIN, D. D., and other eminent speakers will address the meeting.

EDWIN PERRY, charged with the murder of THOMAS HAYES, who was held to bail in $20,000 a day or two since, is yet in jail, having been unable so far to find the necessary bondsmen.

LONG ISLAND.

THOMAS BRENNAN, the man arrested on suspicion of having robbed W. T. JEFFERTS a short time since, near the village of Flushing, and on whose person was found the watch and other property of the man robbed, is likely to be discharged. The examination has been adjourned twice, for some unaccountable reason, and is set down for to-day, and notwithstanding he acknowledged his guilt to the officers who arrested him, it is reported that Mr. JEFFERTS cannot recognize him as one of the men who robbed him and threatened to throw him off the bridge. The reported disappearance of an important witness lends currency to the rumor that he will ultimately be discharged.

THE VOORHEES MURDER.

What the Sheriff Says about the Canards—The Question of the Sanity of Chambers—Meetings and Resolutions of Sympathy for the Deceased—Inquest.

Owing to the fact that Mr. DOMINICUS S. VOORHEES was widely known and much respected by all who knew him, and that his business was such as established him to furnish large numbers of laborers and mechanics with employment, there has been much deep feeling of sorrow for his decease, more especially on account of the sudden and unwarrantable manner in which his death was caused. There has also been much feeling evinced against the perpetrator of the murder, but not at any time such as was described in the first accounts of the affair, as published in some of the morning and evening papers. While there have been many expressions of bitterness and wordy threats indulged in around barrooms and on the street corners, there has not been at any time anything in the shape of a mob, as was announced on Monday night. Sheriff WALTON has not been at any time afraid that his regular force at the Jail in Raymond-street would prove unequal to the task of keeping that institution in perfect safety, and pronounces the stories that have been written and published in reference to him to be mere inventions. As to his application to the military in case they might be needed, that was made at the instigations of others who assured him that there was danger of an overpowering mob making an attack upon the jail. He took that step, therefore, merely to give the public some sense of security against any possible attempt that might be made.

As the time for the funeral of Mr. VOORHEES approached, the subject of the murder was discussed in public places with much freedom and with wide latitude. The theory is now advanced that CHAMBERS is insane, and data are given on which the young person has been found who once had occasion to say, "There is a screw loose somewhere in CHAMBERS," and he is said to have had a mania about "Cherry-street villians." To what extent this theorizing will be available for the prisoner must be left for time to reveal.

Yesterday forenoon a largely-attended meeting of master mechanics was held at the office of the Lafayette Insurance Company, No. 326 Fulton-street, Mr. R. W. ADAMS presiding. On motion of Mr. P. E. DILLON, a resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of a Committee of seven to draft resolutions, and to express condemnation of the assassin at whose hands their friend Mr. VOORHEES had come to his death. The Committee consisted of Messrs. Wm. H. Hasard, Henry Harlean, H. Thomas, P. E. Dillon, James Howell, Jr., J. Townsend, and H. S. Christian.

All that remains of the lamented Mr. VOORHEES will be interred to-day with full Masonic honors, the obsequies to take place at his late residence, No. 199 President-street. The funeral will be attended by the members of Nassau Lodge, No. 336 F. and A. M. and sister lodges; Brooklyn Chapter Royal Arch Masons, No. 63; Adelphi Lodge, No. 60, I. O. of O. F.; Brooklyn Yacht Club, the Olympic Club and the Prospect Fair Ground Association, of which he was a member.

Last evening, Coroner JONES proceeded to hold an inquest at the Court House, when the following testimony was given:

FRANK R. DUFFY testified as follows: I reside in Carroll-street; am a commission merchant; was not acquainted with deceased, DOMINICUS S. VOORHEES; was introduced to Mr. FOGARTY on Sunday evening, at the corner of Carroll and Columbia streets; my recollection is that I was introduced to deceased that evening; cannot say who introduced me, there was a crowd of gentlemen there, but I do not know his name; I had met him before once or twice; WM. CHAMBERS went there with me; I can't state the time—some time in the evening; not CHAMBERS at my house; I had had two glasses of wine; we were going out; he said we would better have a glass of wine; we went into FOGARTY's; can't say who called for the bottle of wine, but think I did; remember shaking hands with all the gentlemen in the store; went out and CHAMBERS along with me; think I went home; my wife took me up stairs to bed; I was intoxicated; details my wife put me to bed; was awoken at three o'clock in the morning and informed that a man was shot, who proved to be Mr. VOORHEES. [Witness at this point appeared to be drowsy and stupid.] That is all I know about it; my wife said to me, "my goodness, WM. CHAMBERS kill a man;" been acquainted with CHAMBERS off and on about eighteen or nineteen years; know him in the occupation of a boiler maker; CHAMBERS has been to home and was acquainted with my family; I know him as a boarder in the house; was well acquainted with him; believed in my house eleven months, during which time he was in the habit of coming home; he has come to our house occasionally during the last year, but I have not associated with him very closely; had no business with him whatever; five years ago I had some transactions with him; have not been in company with him since; have not reason to think MR. DUFFY at all; Sunday was the first time I went out with him for a long time; still he has been in the habit of coming to our house, although I have not associated with him; I might have met him on the street and recognized him, but that was all; never knew him much in any business; have not kept track of him; but lately I knew he was in my business; he had a violent temper; for years I have not known him say an ill word; I have no reason with him when he called at the house during the last five years; have not seen enough of him to be able to tell whether he was of sound or unsound mind; could not say that I was very drunk on Sunday when he called on me, but had sufficient; don't know what time it was when he called; was in company with my brother CHAMBERS was drunk or either when I saw him; I live about one block from FOGARTY's store; about two doors from Hicks-street, in Carroll; cannot recollect the time I left the house; we went in FOGARTY's; I said to him that she understood he was threatening wrong with him; he had told my wife that people in New-York were looking at him all the time; did not know trying to rob him.

MR. THOMAS WALL sworn—Was a friend in the afternoon, and drank maybe five or six glasses of champagne; before CHAMBERS came; was in WM. HOOVER's in Hamilton-avenue; a little while ago; in the afternoon; sometimes three glasses will make me oblivious; I know what I am doing well enough at the time, but I cannot recollect anything next morning; I may have been back in the bar-room; I recollect seeing CHAMBERS; had to have a glass of wine; was sick some time ago, and ever since when I drink I lose my memory; I heard about CHAMBERS being wrong in his mind five or six weeks ago; don't remember anything; I may have had; an argument; I remember nothing; CHAMBERS lived on his father's farm in the old country; he had not been there for years; MR. DUFFY; I know he was in business; I don't know what he did; the South; don't know anything about his business.

MARY DUFFY testified as follows: Am the wife of the last witness; was there; MR. DUFFY; knew he was there; I had no reason to say to my husband that my wife was afraid of WM. CHAMBERS; he was sober when he had my husband; my husband was intoxicated; I told my husband that WM. CHAMBERS; he said he would be home; I say husband; was not entirely sober; I had to make a living; think it was about six o'clock in the evening when he came; my husband came in from a quarter to seven; he said he had a new chum; I said I wish he had not; he said he had a new chum; but I could not notice it; my husband went out between three and four o'clock; he was sober when he went out; my husband was in the habit of drinking; I was afraid of my life; I was afraid he would be home; I was afraid he would do something; I told my husband